

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

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August 3, 1993

Norman Wei Senior Manager Environmental Engineering StarKist Seafoods StarKist Foods Inc. 1 River Front Place Newport, KY 41071

Re: Need for Consistency Determination by American Samoa Coastal Management Program for Ocean Disposal Permit Issuance

Dear Norman:

Prior to U.S. EPA's issuance of a new ocean disposal permit for VCS Samoa Packing Company, our agency must receive a determination from the American Samoa Coastal Management Program (ASCMP) that the proposed permitted activity is consistent with the Coastal Zone Management Act. Therefore, you should request the ASCMP that such a review and determination be undertaken for StarKist Samoa's new permit.

A similar request was made by CH2MHill on the canneries' behalf for their NPDES permit. A copy of this request is attached for your information. I suggest you address your request to Larry Ward, who will be Acting Director of the ASCMP while Lelei Peau is off-island during the next two weeks. I spoke to Lelei today to alert him that this request is forthcoming and emphasized to him the need for a timely response. Your office should submit the determination to USEPA or request that ASCMP copy us on their response.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (415) 744-1594, or Pat Cotter at (415) 744-1163.

Sincerely,

Pat Young

American Samoa Program Manager Office of Pacific Island and Native American Programs (E-4)

Enclosure

cc: Sheila Wiegman, ASEPA



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7/12/93

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Response to Questions on the Tentative Decision to Issue Ocean Dumping

Permits to the Canneries in American Samoa

FROM: Amy K. Zim

Wetlands, Oceans and Estuaries Branch (W-7)

TO: Harry Seraydarian, Director

Water Management Division (W-1)

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MATHEMATICAL/COMPUTER MODELING OF FISH WASTE DISPOSAL AT AN OCEAN DISPOSAL SITE OFF TUTUILA ISLAND, AMERICAN SAMOA

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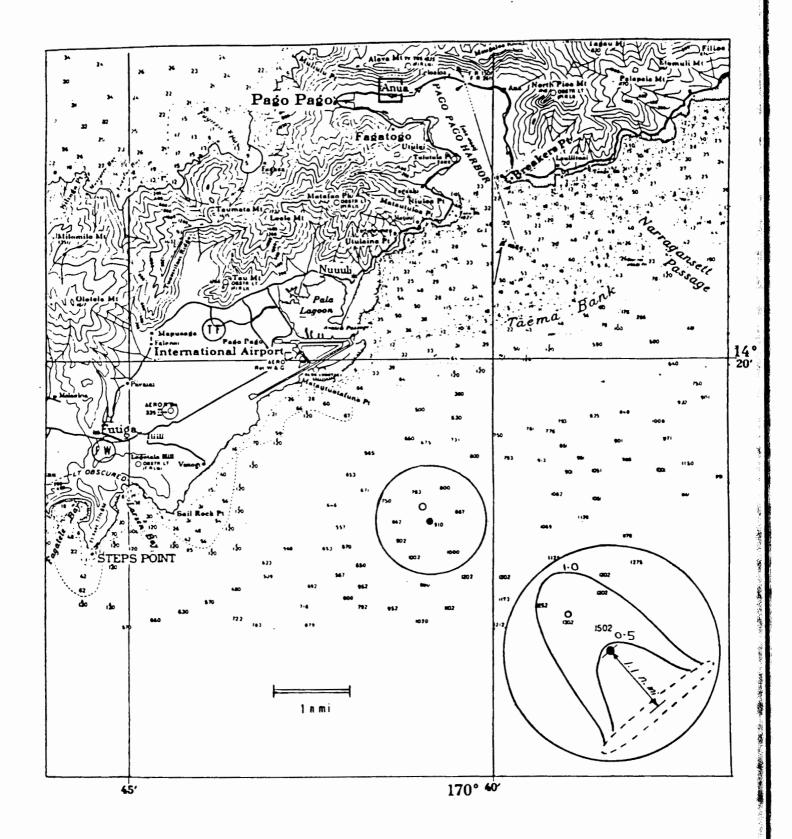


Figure SA-32. The worst-case illustration of plume direction. Equi-dilution lines of discharge waste plume, summer. (Q = 1200 gpm, Vfall = 0.01 cm/s, ship 1, L = 2.0 n mi, U_a = 0.2 k)

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TABLE 36
ELEMENTS PRESENT IN SOLUTION IN SEA WATER (Dissolved gases not included)

Element	mg/kg $CI = 19.00 ^{\circ}/_{\circ \circ}$	mg-atoms/L Cl = 19.00 º/00	Atomic weight (1940)	1/atomic weight	Authority
Chlorine	18980	548.30	35.457	0.02820	
Sodium	10561	470.15	22.997	0.04348	
Magnesium	1272	53.57	24.32	0.04112	
Sulphur		28.24	32.06	0.03119	
Calcium	400	10.24	40.08	0.02495	
Potassium	380	9.96	39.096	0.02558	
Bromine	65	0.83	79.916	0.01251	
Carbon	28	2.34	12.01	0.08326	
Strontium	13	0.15	87.63	0.01141	
Boron	4.6	0.43	10.82	0.09242	
Silicon	0.02 -4.0	0.0007 -0.14	28.06	0.03564	
Fluorine	1.4	0.07	19.00	0.05263	
Nitrogen (comp.)	0.01 -0.7	0.001 -0.05	14.008	0.07139	
Aluminum	0.5	0.02	26.97	0.03708	
Rubidium	0.2	0.002	85.48	0.01170	
Lithium	0.1	0.014	6.940	0.14409	
Phosphorus	0.001-0.10	0.00003-0.003	30.98	0.03228	
Barium	0.05	0.0004	137.36	0.00728	
Iodine	0.05	0.0004	126.92	0.00788	
Arsenic	0.01 -0.02	0.00015-0.0003	74.91	0.01335	
Iron	0.002-0.02	0.00003-0.0003	55.85	0.01791	
Manganese	0.001-0.01	0.00002-0.0002	54.93	0.01820	
Copper	0.001-0.01	0.00002-0.0002	63.57	0.01573	
Zinc	0.005	0.00008	65.38	0.01530	Atkins (1936)
Lead	0.004	0.00002	207.21	0.00483	Boury (1938)
Selenium	0.004	0.00005	78.96	0.01266	Goldschmidt and Strock (1935)

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Table 36 (Continued)

Element	mg/kg Cl = 19.00 °/ ₀₀	$\frac{\text{mg-atoms/L}}{\text{Cl} = 19.00}$ °/ ₀₀	Atomic weight (1940)	1/atomic weight	Authority
Cesium Uranium Molybdenum Thorium Cerium Silver Vanadium Lanthanum Yttrium Nickel Scandium Mercury Gold Radium Cadmium Chromium Cobalt Tin	0.002 0.0015 0.0005 < 0.0005 < 0.0004 0.0003 0.0003 0.0003 0.0003 0.0001 0.00004 0.00004 0.000006 0.2 - 3 × 10 ⁻¹⁰	$\begin{array}{c} 0.00002 \\ 0.00001 \\ 0.000005 \\ < 0.000002 \\ 0.000003 \\ 0.000003 \\ 0.000006 \\ 0.000002 \\ 0.000002 \\ 0.000002 \\ 0.0000009 \\ 0.0000001 \\ 0.0000001 \\ 0.00000002 \\ 0.8 - 12 \times 10^{-13} \end{array}$	132 91 238 07 95 95 232 12 140 13 107 880 50 95 138 92 88 92 58 69 45 10 200 61 197 2 226 05	0.00752 0.00420 0.01042 0.00431 0.00714 0.00927 0.01963 0.00720 0.01125 0.01704 0.02217 0.00498 0.00507 0.00442	Wattenberg (1938) Föyn et al (1939) Ernst and Hoermann (1936) Föyn et al (1939) Goldschmidt (1937) Haber (1928) Ernst and Hoermann (1936) Goldschmidt (1937) Goldschmidt (1937) Ernst and Hoermann (1936) Goldschmidt (1937) Ernst and Hoermann (1936) Goldschmidt (1937) Goldschmidt (1937) Haber (1928) Evans, Kip, and Moberg (1938) Fox and Ramage (1931) Webb (1937) Thompson and Robinson (1932) Thompson and Robinson (1932)



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sea water contains at least trace amounts of fifty or more of the naturally occurring elements. These are called the *minor constituents* and may appear in very small amounts, relatively speaking, but their sum total may add up to quite a large quantity.

TABLE V-1 Elements present in solution in oceanic sea water exclusive of dissolved gases (Chlorinity = $19.00\,\%$ c)

	Element m	Parts per illion (mg/Kg)	Element	Parts per million (mg/Kg)
I.	Major Elements		Arsenic	0.002-0.02
	Chlorine	18980	Manganese	0.001-0.01
	Sodium	10561	Copper	0.01
	Magnesium	1272	Zinc	0.005
	Sulfur	884	Lead	0.004
	Calcium	400	Selenium	0.004
	Potassium	380	Cesium	0.002
	Bromine	65	Uranium	0.0015
	Carbon	28	Molybdenum	0.0005
	Strontium	13	Thorium	0.0005
	Boron	4.6	Cerium	0.0004
			Silver	0.0003
II.	MINOR ELEMENTS		Vanadium	0.0003
	Silicon	0.02-4.0	Lanthanum	0.0003
	Fluorine	1.4	Yttrium	0.0003
	Nitrogen (in		Nickel	0.0001
	combined forms)	0.006 - 0.7	Scandium	0.00004
	Aluminum	0.5	Mercury	0.00003
	Rubidium	0.2	Gold	0.000006
	Lithium	0.1	Radium	$0.2 - 3 \times 10^{-10}$
	Phosphorus	0.001-0.10	Cadmium	present
	Barium	0.05	Cobalt	present
	Iodine	0.05	Tin	present

Gold, which has a concentration of 6×10^{-6} milligrams per kilogram, is an example of a material that appears in relatively small amounts yet on a sum total basis amounts to a great deal. Since one cubic kilometer contains about 10^{12} kilograms of sea water, there are $(6\times 10^{-6})\times (10^{12})$ milligrams, or 6 kilograms of gold in each cubic kilometer of sea water. This is equivalent to 193 troy ounces which, at \$35 an ounce, amounts to \$6755 worth of gold in each cubic kilometer of the sea. This material is so sparsely distributed, however, that at the present time the mining of gold from the sea is impractical.

As a matter of interest, the number of milligrams/kilogram of any ele-

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I am alerting you about an Ocean Dumping permitting action that is proposed for two tuna canneries in American Samoa. I have attached copies of the Fact Sheet, the Notice of Application and the Communication Strategy to show you what we propose to do for these permits. The canneries, StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing, have been dumping fish processing wastes at a site 5.45 nautical miles southeast of American Samoa for the past three years under MPRSA § 102 special permits. These new permits will be effective from July 31, 1993 through July 31, 1996. Now, we must issue another three-year permit to each cannery for them to continue to dump at the site. Under MPRSA, we can only issue special permits for three years at a time.

The Marine Protection Section has reviewed the canneries' waste stream data and prepared two new permits based on the last three years of disposal activities. The new permits are similar to the last ones, except for the following conditions:

- 1. Waste stream limits were changed for both canneries based on their waste stream analytical reports. In most cases, the limits were lowered. Only a few limits were raised to reflect the new characteristics of the waste streams (see page 6 of the Fact Sheet).
- 2. Since the waste streams are quite different compared to the past and a new disposal vessel (the FV TASMAN SEA) is being proposed, Region IX will require that the canneries conduct new suspended phase bioassays and rerun the disposal plume model.
- 3. Analyses for heavy metals and petroleum hydrocarbons in the waste streams were deleted because the concentrations were low and fish oils interfere significantly with the analyses for petroleum hydrocarbons.

- 4. A computerized navigation system is required now. This will provide Region IX, ASEPA and the Coast Guard with an accurate record of the disposal vessel's tracks during dumping operations.
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I have approved these two draft permits for publication in the San Francisco Chronicle and the American Samoa News. The draft permits will be out for review for 30 days. After the Marine Protection Section and the Office of Pacific Island and Native American Programs respond to comments and prepare final permits, you will be asked to sign the final permits before July 31, 1993. We do not anticipate any significant comments which would delay permit issuance. However, should there be a delay, the existing permits can be administratively extended until the new permits are issued. If you have any questions on this proposed action, please call me at 4-1953.

Attachments (3)

cc with attachments: Deanna Weiman (E-1)

UNITED STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Public Notice of a Tentative Decision to Issue Ocean Dumping Permits to the

Canneries in American Samoa

FROM: Amy K. Zimpfer, Chief

Wetlands, Oceans and Estuaries Branch (W-7)

TO: Harry Seraydarian, Director

Water Management Division (W-1)

I am alerting you about an Ocean Dumping permitting action that is proposed for two tuna canneries in American Samoa. I have attached copies of the Fact Sheet, the Notice of Application and the Communication Strategy to show you what we propose to do for these permits. The canneries, StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing, have been dumping fish processing wastes at a site 5.45 nautical miles southeast of American Samoa for the past three years under MPRSA § 102 special permits. These new permits will be effective from July 31, 1993 through July 31, 1996. Now, we must issue another three-year permit to each cannery for them to continue to dump at the site. Under MPRSA, we can only issue special permits for three years at a time.

The Marine Protection Section has reviewed the canneries' waste stream data and prepared two new permits based on the last three years of disposal activities. The new permits are similar to the last ones, except for the following conditions:

- 1. Waste stream limits were changed for both canneries based on their waste stream analytical reports. In most cases, the limits were lowered. Only a few limits were raised to reflect the new characteristics of the waste streams (see page 6 of the Fact Sheet).
- 2. Since the waste streams are quite different compared to the past and a new disposal vessel (the FV TASMAN SEA) is being proposed, Region IX will require that the canneries conduct new suspended phase bioassays and rerun the disposal plume model.
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REGION IX

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Norman S. Wei, Senior Manager Environmental Engineering StarKist Seafood Company, Inc. 180 East Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, California 90802-4797

MAY 27 1993

RE: Notice of Complete Application and Tentative Decision to Issue a Special Ocean Dumping Permit (OD 93-01) to StarKist Samoa, Inc.

Dear Mr. Wei:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region IX, has determined that StarKist Samoa's application for an ocean dumping permit is complete. We have prepared a draft special ocean dumping permit (OD 93-01) under Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) for StarKist Samoa's disposal operations. This special permit authorizes disposal of fish processing wastes into the Pacific Ocean off American Samoa for a three-year period. The designated disposal site is 5.45 nautical miles from land (14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude) with a radius of 1.5 nautical miles in about 1,500 fathoms of water.

Information gathered during the term of this special permit and StarKist Samoa's previous special permit will be used to continue EPA's management of the fish processing waste disposal program off American Samoa. If, at any time, EPA Region IX determines that the disposal operations do not meet the ocean dumping regulations at 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228, we will reconsider permission to use the designated site.

StarKist Samoa, as the permittee, will be required to conduct the site monitoring program contained in the special permit. Please note the requirements for reporting of field and laboratory analyses, analytical detection limits and dump site monitoring procedures.

EPA Region IX has developed the following documents to support the tentative determination for this special permit:

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Sincerely,
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Janet Y. Hashimoto, Chief

Marine Protection Section (W-7-1)

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Maurice Callaghan, StarKist Samoa

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75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

MAY 27 1993

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

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Janet Hashimoto, Chief

Marine Protection Section (W-7-1)

TO: John Lishman, Chief

Marine Pollution Control Branch

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REGION IX

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MAY 27 1993

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Action: Public Notice of draft Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act Section 102 permits for

StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing in American Samoa.

Projected

Announcement: Monday June 7, 1993

Location: American Samoa

Background: EPA Region IX has made a tentative decision to issue Marine Protection, Research and

Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) Section 102 permits to StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing. These special permits will allow the canneries to continue disposing of fish processing wastes off American Samoa at an ocean disposal site designated by EPA Region IX in February 1990. The special permits will cover a three-year period, from July 31, 1993 through July 31, 1996. Special conditions in the permits include: 1) waste stream limits, 2) monthly waste stream analyses and reports, 3) confirmatory bioassays and plume model analyses, 4) use of a computerized navigation system aboard a new disposal vessel, and 5) disposal site monitoring. The canneries have been disposing of fish processing wastes off American Samoa since 1979

without any significant adverse environmental effects.

Press Release Information

- Permit applications by StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing found to be complete.
- 2. EPA Region IX's tentative decision is to issue three-year special MPRSA Section 102 permits to both canneries for the period July 31, 1993 through July 31, 1996.
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- 5. A computerized navigation system is required to provide more accurate plots of the disposal vessel tracks.

Public Interest: Low

Staff Contact: Patrick Cotter (W-7-1), 4-1163
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Attorney: None

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EPA REGION IX COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Action: Public Notice of draft Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act Section 102 permits for

StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing in American Samoa.

Projected

Announcement: Monday, June 7, 1993

Materials to be PreparedBy Whom:A: Press ReleaseLois GrunwaldB: Draft MPRSA Section 102 PermitsPatrick CotterC: Fact SheetPatrick CotterD: Public Notice for NewspapersPatrick Cotter

Note: Press Release at day 0 (June 7) after confirmation from newspapers that the Public Notice will be printed as requested.

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REGION IX

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MAY 27 1993

SUBJECT:

Notice of Complete Applications and Tentative Decision to Issue Special Ocean Dumping Permits (OD 93-01 and OD 93-02) to StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company

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FACT SHEET SPECIAL OCEAN DUMPING PERMITS STARKIST SAMOA (OD 93-01) AND VCS SAMOA PACKING COMPANY (OD 93-02) LOCATED IN PAGO PAGO, AMERICAN SAMOA

I. SUMMARY

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region IX has received complete applications from StarKist Samoa, Incorporated and VCS Samoa Packing Company, Incorporated for continued ocean disposal of fish processing wastes off Pago Pago, American Samoa. Disposal of fish processing wastes was permitted under two previous Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) § 102 Special Permits, OD 90-01 (StarKist Samoa) and OD 90-02 (VCS Samoa Packing). These permits began on July 31, 1990 and are effective until July 30, 1993. Disposal operations occurred at a designated site (55 FR 3948, February 6, 1990) located 5.45 nautical miles from land (14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude) with a radius of 1.5 nautical miles in about 1,500 fathoms of water.

The Regional Administrator has tentatively decided to issue special ocean dumping permits (OD 93-01 and OD 93-02, respectively) to the applicants for ocean disposal of fish processing wastes over a three-year period. This decision has been made according to EPA's authority established in Title I of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (MPRSA) (33 U.S.C. section 1401 et seq.). Section 104B(k)(3)(B) of MPRSA contains an exclusion from the ban on disposal of industrial waste for tuna canneries in American Samoa.

The conditions and monitoring activities defined in OD 93-01 and OD 93-02 are similar to those in previous special and research ocean dumping permits. However, several changes have been made to: 1) permitted waste concentrations, 2) waste stream monitoring, 3) reporting requirements, and 4) disposal vessel operations. The changes are based on evaluation of waste stream data, confirmation of past toxicity tests and plume modeling and new navigation requirements for the disposal vessel.

EPA Region IX has tentatively decided to proceed with issuance of these special permits. Comments on our proposed action will be requested from the permit applicants, the American Samoa Government, Federal agencies, and the public as required under EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations at 40 C.F.R Parts 220 through 228. Draft special permits and supporting documents are available for public review at the U.S. EPA's Regional Office in the Library on the 13th Floor at 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California; the U.S. EPA's Pacific Island Contact Office, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu, Hawaii; and the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency, Executive Office Building, Office of the Governor, Pago Pago, American Samoa. These documents define the principal facts and significant legal, administrative and policy questions considered in the development of the special permits.

II. TENTATIVE DECISION

On December 8, 1992, StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company applied for ocean dumping permits to dispose of their fish cannery wastes at a designated ocean disposal site near Pago Pago, American Samoa. The designated site, used for the past 3 years by both canneries, is located 5.45 nautical miles from land (14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude) with a radius of 1.5 nautical miles in 1,502 fathoms of water [40 C.F.R. § 228.12(b)(74)]. EPA Region IX is planning to grant their applications by issuing a special ocean dumping permit to each cannery which will last for three years.

Current information indicates that disposal of fish processing wastes at the designated site complies with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations at 40 C.F.R. Parts 227 and 228. Information obtained during the term of the special permits will be used to evaluate whether the disposal of fish processing wastes continues to comply with criteria defined in EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations. The permittees must conduct a site monitoring program, including field and laboratory analyses. Results of the monitoring program will be used to document the extent of effects at the ocean disposal site and whether the dumping continues to comply with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations.

The proposed dumping during the term of the special permits is expected to have minimal impacts on human health and/or the marine environment, as demonstrated by the monitoring results of the previous special and research ocean dumping permits. The primary environmental impact of the proposed discharges would be short-term increases in turbidity, inorganic nutrients, oil and grease, and ammonia during the dumping events.

Past monitoring studies on the disposal of fish processing wastes off American Samoa show that water quality parameters return to ambient conditions at the boundary of the disposal site following the four hour period of initial mixing (40 C.F.R. § 227.29). To be certain that American Samoa Water Quality Standards would not be violated by the disposal of fish processing wastes, the center of the disposal site was designated 5.45 nautical miles offshore, and restrictive disposal rates and limitations on the waste material constituents are included in the special ocean dumping permits.

III. TERMS OF THE PERMIT

Special ocean dumping permits OD 93-01 and OD 93-02 are similar to OD 90-01 and OD 90-02, except those changes outlined above. The permittees have been disposing of fish cannery wastes, monitoring the waste streams and the disposal site according to the specifications of the past special and research permits.

A. Volumes of Waste Material Proposed for Ocean Disposal

Table 1. Volumes of Fish Processing Waste Authorize for Daily Disposal (see Special Condition 2.3 in both permits).

Fish Processing Waste	StarKist Samoa (gallons/day)	VCS Samoa Packing (gallons/day)	Total Volume (gallons/day)
DAF Sludge	60,000	60,000	120,000
Cooker Juice	100,000	0	100,000
Precooker Water	0	100,000	100,000
Press Liquor	40,000	0	40,000
Press Water	0	40,000	40,000
Daily Maximum	200,000	200,000	400,000

B. Waste Material Limitations in the Proposed Permits (see Special Condition 2.4 in both permits).

Table 2. Fish Processing Waste Limits for the StarKist Samoa's Permit #OD 93-01.

Physical or Chemical Parameter (units) ^a	DAF Sludge	Cooker Juice	Press Liquor
Total Solids (mg/L)	163,430	114,180	327,870
Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	136,180	63,400	292,280
5-Day BOD (mg/L)	232,320	185,150	310,790
Oil and Grease (mg/L)	64,100	11,810	112,080
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	1,640	940	3,160
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	7,020	7,560	20,360
Ammonia (mg/L)	1,830	690	1,390
pH (pH units)	5.3 to 6.5	5.9 to 6.3	5.8 to 6.5
Density (g/mL)	0.97 to 1.06	0.98 to 1.06	0.99 to 1.08

a = All calculated values were rounded to the nearest 10, except the density and pH ranges.

Table 3. Fish Processing Waste Limits for the VCS Samoa Packing's Permit #OD 93-02.

Physical or Chemical Parameter (units) _a	DAF Sludge	Precooker Water	Press Water
Total Solids (mg/L)	461,790	115,180	381,510
Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	455,560	84,450	409,310
5-Day BOD (mg/L)	349,350	64,650	365,550
Oil and Grease (mg/L)	395,700	11,180	165,860
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	3,790	1,850	2,950
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	21,820	12,830	35,100
Ammonia (mg/L)	3,470	410	830
pH (pH units)	4.8 to 7.0	5.5 to 6.6	5.5 to 6.8
Density (g/mL)	0.86 to 1.05	0.95 to 1.06	0.96 to 1.06

a = All calculated values were rounded to the nearest 10, except the density and pH ranges.

C. Calculation of Permit Limits

- 1. Data from the previous special ocean dumping permit issued to each cannery were used to calculate all permit limits. The data for each cannery were evaluated separately.
- 2. The following calculations were made for each set of data using the LOTUS-123 spreadsheet program, version 2.2: maximum and minimum levels; mean, standard deviation and the number of data points.
- 3. Any data values greater than or less than the mean plus or minus 3 standard deviations, were considered to be outliers. Outlier data points were not used in the permit limit calculations.
- 4. All procedures for calculating permit limits are discussed in Sections 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 (pages 3-1 to 3-9) of EPA's Guidance Document for Ocean Dumping Permit (January 30, 1988).
 - a. The mean and standard deviation of each physical or chemical parameter were calculated by the following equations:

$$Mean_x = \frac{\sum x_i}{N}$$

 x_i = each value for the ith constituent N = the number of data points reported

Standard Deviation_x =
$$\frac{\sum \{x_i - Mean_x\}^2}{N - 1}$$

b. The permit limit (Upper Limit) was determined by taking the mean and adding the product of a constant multiplied by the standard deviation.

Upper Limit, = Mean, + $(k \times Standard Deviation_x)$

k = a constant from Table 3-2 in EPA's 1988 Guidance Document.

c. The constant (k) is based on N and two variables, probability (Γ) and proportion (P), used to compute permit limits. In this case, all limits were calculated with gamma = 0.95 and P = 0.95.

IV. FACTORS CONSIDERED IN REACHING THE PERMIT DECISIONS

A. Overview of Disposal Operations

The two fish canneries in American Samoa, StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company, propose to dispose of fish processing wastes at an ocean dump site centered approximately 5.45 nautical miles south of Tutuila Island in 1,502 fathoms of water. The center coordinates of the site are: 14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude. The fish processing wastes will be transported to the upcurrent quadrant of the site and discharged at a rate less than or equal to 1,400 gallons per minute, depending on the season, at a maximum speed of 10 knots (see Special Condition 4.4.1). The disposal vessel will discharge the fish processing wastes along an oval-shaped track with the center axis of the oval perpendicular to the current direction. All disposal will occur within the boundary of the designated ocean disposal site.

On each trip, the master of the disposal vessel will document current direction at the center of the disposal site. He will then proceed to a point 1.1 nautical miles upcurrent of the prevailing surface current to discharge the waste. The fish processing wastes may be discharged only after this procedure has been conducted. This will ensure that the waste plume has an adequate area for mixing within the disposal site boundary.

Receiving waters at the disposal site are outside the American Samoa territorial sea. Though the ocean disposal site is outside these waters, the MPRSA § 102 special permits are designed to comply with oceanic water quality standards defined in § 24.0207(g)(1-7) of the American Samoa Water Quality Standards (see Table 1 under General Condition 1.5). This

will ensure that oceanic waters inside American Samoa's territorial sea are not affected by the ocean disposal operations. Four hours after dumping has ceased, concentrations of the fish processing wastes must reach ambient levels (40 C.F.R. section 227.29) at the disposal site boundary. Disposal site monitoring requirements are contained in the special permits. EPA Region IX will evaluate potential impacts to water quality based on the site monitoring reports.

B. Changes from the Previous MPRSA § 102 Special Permits

- 1. A new ocean disposal vessel will be authorized for the 1993 special permits (see page 1 of each permit). The MV ASTRO will be replaced by the FV TASMAN SEA (formerly the FV BLUE NORTH). The new disposal vessel is owned by Blue North Fisheries, Inc., at 1130 N.W. 45th Street, Seattle, WA 98107-4626.
- 2. EPA Region IX reviewed 29-30 months of waste stream monitoring data submitted by each permittee. The characteristics of the waste streams at the two canneries are entirely different; therefore, separate permits were necessary. Appendix A of this fact sheet contains the tables used to calculate the new permit limits for each permittee's waste stream defined in Section III.B above. The last part of each table shows the numerical changes from the previous special permits compared to the proposed special permits.
 - a. In general, most of the limits for StarKist Samoa's waste stream were reduced (see Appendix A, Tables 1-3). Some limits were reduced as much as 90%. The only exceptions are: Cooker Juice oil and grease (+145%), Press Liquor total solids (+21%), Press Liquor total phosphorus (+59%), and Press Liquor oil and grease (+80%). These increases in the waste stream limits are required because earlier waste stream data do not reflect the present waste stream characteristics.
 - b. Similarly, most of the limits for VCS Samoa Packing's waste streams were reduced (see Appendix A, Tables 4-6). Some limits were reduced as much as 85%. The only exceptions are: DAF Sludge total nitrogen (+46%), DAF Sludge oil and grease (+40%), DAF Sludge total volatile solids (+48%), DAF Sludge ammonia (+35%), Precooker Water 5-day biological oxygen demand (+7%), Press Water total nitrogen (+10%) and Press Water total volatile solids (+6%). These increases in the waste stream limits are required because earlier waste stream data did not properly characterize these waste streams.
- 3. Reports analyzing metal and petroleum hydrocarbon concentrations in the waste streams were submitted by StarKist Samoa (July 29, 1993) and VCS Samoa Packing (July 31, 1993). These reports were required under Special Condition 3.3.5 in the previous MPRSA § 102 special permits. EPA Region IX reviewed the permittees' analyses of metal and petroleum hydrocarbon concentrations and the permittees' explanation of the sources. The reports document low concentrations of metals and petroleum hydrocarbons for each waste stream.

EPA Region IX reviewed data submitted with the last 29-30 months of reports and we found low concentrations of metals in the waste streams. Table 4 below displays the mean and standard deviation for the concentrations listed in the tables of Appendix A. High values of aluminum in the DAF Sludge are expected because aluminum sulfate is added as an odor reducing agent. The high values for petroleum hydrocarbons are most likely a result of interference in the analysis by high concentrations of fish oils.

Table 4. Concentrations of Metals and Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons in StarKist Samoa (SK) and VCS Samoa Packing (VCS) Waste Streams Reported for MPRSA § 102 Permits OD 90-01 and OD 90-02.

DAF	Al (mg/L)	Cr (mg/L)	Ni (mg/L)	Cu (mg/L	Pb (mg/L)	Cd (mg/L)	Hg (mg/L)	TRPH (mg/L)
SK Mean	473.00	0.88	0.74	4.70	0.95	0.24	0.009	1924.00
SK SD	336.00	0.42	0.40	2.78	0.74	0.13	0.006	841.00
VCS Mean	86.00	2.10	2.06	6.08	2.81	0.86	0.016	13393.00
VCS SD	59.00	1.14	1.71	3.26	1.96	0.61	0.010	9339.00
CJ - PC								
SK Mean	1.12	0.12	0.26	0.37	0.17	0.20	0.006	64.00
SK SD	0.90	0.06	0.22	0.11	0.14	0.06	0.002	26.00
VCS Mean	1.02	0.13	0.25	0.29	0.23	0.19	0.004	119.00
VCS SD	0.67	0.05	0.21	0.13	0.24	0.10	0.002	94.00
PL - PW								
SK Mean	1.81	0.15	0.32	.090	0.23	0.49	0.017	961.00
SK SD	1.12	0.07	0.24	0.37	0.22	0.22	0.008	531.00
VCS Mean	0.95	0.17	0.29	0.49	0.28	0.21	0.006	2471.00
VCS SD	0.57	0.10	0.24	0.18	0.24	0.09	0.002	2478.00

DAF = Dissolved Air Flotation Sludge

CJ - PC = StarKist Samoa Cooker Juice and VCS Samoa Packing Precooker Water

PL - PW = StarKist Samoa Press Liquor and VCS Samoa Packing Press Water

SD = Standard Deviation

EPA Region IX determined that these levels do not pose a significant risk to the marine environment or human health based on the design of disposal operations and dilution at the disposal site. Therefore, requirements to analyze metals and petroleum hydrocarbons in the permittees' waste streams have been deleted from the new permits.

- 4. Two new data reporting forms were developed for the 1993 ocean dumping permits (see Appendix B of each permit). These forms, and data submitted on a computer diskette compatible with EPA Region IX's computer system, will streamline the 6-month data reporting requirements.
- 5. The canneries must conduct confirmatory suspended particulate phase bioassays within one year of the effective date of the permit (see Special Condition 3.3.5). These tests are required because the nature of the fish processing wastes has changed from the initial characterization of the waste streams conducted more than 5 years ago. Results of the new bioassays will be used to calculate new Limiting Permissible Concentration (LPC) values. The new LPC values will be used to rerun the plume model used to predict dilution and discharge rates at the ocean disposal site. A report will be prepared by each permittee discussing the test procedures and results of the bioassay tests and new model runs. EPA Region IX will review the report to determine whether any changes in the ocean dumping permits are necessary.
- 6. A computerized navigation system is specified in Special Condition 4.3.4 and 4.5 to simplify plotting of the disposal vessel's track once inside the ocean disposal site and during disposal operations. This system will provide a continuous plot of the disposal vessel's track and a hard copy of each plot will be sent with the 6-month report.

V. EPA'S AUTHORITY TO ISSUE OCEAN DUMPING PERMITS

- A. EPA's authority to issue special ocean dumping permits is defined under Title I of MPRSA and at 40 C.F.R. § 220.4. The authority to issue special permits was delegated to the Regional Administrator on January 11, 1977 (42 FR 2462). The Regional Administrator's authority to issue special permits was redelegated to the EPA Region IX Water Division Director on January 25, 1982 (EPA Region IX Order R1250.5A).
- B. Section 102 of MPRSA authorizes EPA to issue permits for ocean dumping. The Agency must determine that the proposed dumping will not unreasonably degrade or endanger human health, welfare, or amenities, or the marine environment, ecological systems, or economic potentialities. In addition to these requirements, EPA must evaluate each permit application to determine whether the dumping will comply with the criteria at 40 C.F.R. Part 227 and whether the designated site complies with the criteria at 40 C.F.R. Part 228.
- C. The American Samoa Fish Processing Waste disposal site was designated, through the publication of a Final Rule, on February 6, 1990 (55 FR 3948) at 40 C.F.R. § 228.12(b)(74). The designation process consisted of publication of an environmental impact statement (EIS) according to EPA's voluntary EIS policy. The draft EIS for this project was published on September 16, 1988 (53 FR 38118) and a final EIS was published on March 3, 1989 (54 FR 9083). The final rule designating the ocean disposal site was published on February 6, 1990 (55 FR 3948).

D. EPA Region IX will periodically evaluate the special permits to determine whether the fish canneries disposal operations comply with the special permit conditions. If unacceptable impacts are detected at the site (40 C.F.R. section 228.10), or significant permit violations are found, EPA will determine whether use of the site should be restricted (40 C.F.R. sections 228.10 and 228.11), or whether enforcement actions should be initiated under MPRSA § 105.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES AND THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS

- A. The processing of an ocean dumping permit consists of the following actions:
 - 1. EPA receives a completed application (40 C.F.R. § 221).
 - 2. EPA issues a tentative decision whether to grant or deny the special permit (40 C.F.R. § 222.2). A draft permit is the means by which EPA documents the intent to grant an ocean dumping permit.
 - 3. A public notice is issued to announce EPA's intent to issue the permit (40 C.F.R. § 222.3). The notice contains the following elements: summary, tentative determination, factors considered in reaching the tentative determination, hearing process, and the location of all information on the draft permit. Public notices describing EPA's intent to issue a permit are published in a daily newspaper in closest proximity to the proposed dump site and in a daily newspaper in the city in which EPA's Regional Office is located.
 - 4. Before a final decision can be made on the special permit, formal consultation must be documented with the following agencies: American Samoa Government, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Coast Guard, National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Shellfish Sanitation Branch of the Food and Drug Administration.

B. Initiation of a Public Hearing

- 1. Within 30 days of the date of the public notice, any person may request a public hearing to consider issuance or denial of the special permit or conditions to be imposed upon this permit. Any request for a hearing must be made in writing; must identify the person requesting the hearing; and must clearly state any objections to issuance or denial of the permit or to the conditions to be imposed upon the permit, and the issues to be considered at the hearing. According to 40 C.F.R. § 222.4, the Regional Administrator may schedule a hearing, at his discretion, based on genuine issues presented in the written request.
- 2. Upon receipt of a written request presenting genuine issues amenable to resolution by a public hearing, the Regional Administrator may determine a time and place for the hearing and publish a notice of the hearing. All interested parties will be invited to express their views on the proposed

issuance or denial of the permit at the hearing if one is held. If a request for a public hearing is made within 30 days of the date of this notice and does not meet the above criteria, the Regional Administrator must advise the requesting person of his decision to deny the hearing in writing and proceed to rule on the application.

- 3. Following adjournment of the public hearing, the Presiding Officer, appointed by the Regional Administrator, prepares written recommendations about the issuance, denial or conditions to be imposed upon the permit after full consideration of the views and arguments expressed at the hearing (40 C.F.R. §§ 222.6 through 222.8). The Presiding Officer's recommendations and the record of the hearing are forwarded to the Regional Administrator within 30 days of the hearing.
- 4. The Regional Administrator makes a determination whether to issue, deny or impose conditions on the permit within 30 days of receipt of the Presiding Officer's recommendations. He must give written notice of the decision to any person appearing at the public hearing (40 C.F.R. § 222.9).
- 5. A final permit becomes effective 10 days after issuance, if no requests for an adjudicatory hearing are received. Requests for an adjudicatory hearing may be made to the Regional Administrator within 10 days of receipt of the notice to issue or deny the permit (40 C.F.R. § 222.10 and § 222.11). An appeal of the Regional Administrator's adjudicatory hearing decision may be made in writing to the Administrator of EPA within 10 days following receipt of the Regional Administrator's determination on the need for an adjudicatory hearing (40 C.F.R. § 222.12).

VII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further information on the special permits, requests for copies of the permits or questions pertaining to MPRSA regulations, please contact either of the following people at EPA Region IX:

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APPENDIX A

FACT SHEET

WASTE STREAM DATA FROM STARKIST SAMOA AND VCS SAMOA PACKING

Table 1. StarKist Samoa DAF Sludge Data from August 1990 to January 1993 under OD 90-01.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
AUG 1990	113,000	172,000	1,018	*21,000	39,000	5.55	87,000	1.04	1,800
SEP 1990	117,000	135,000	1,468	6,600	32,000	5.66	90,000	1.02	*5,485
OCT 1990	44,000	121,500	527	2,100	13,000	6.07	23,000	1.03	*3,200
NOV 1990	60,000	73,500	1,513	500	24,000	5.75	34,000	1.02	247
DEC 1990	118,000	62,000	950	2,567	59,000	6.39	88,000	1.00	2,120
JAN 1991	176,500	136,500	610	3,983	48,000	6.37	150,500	1.01	1,543
FEB 1991	52,000	28,500	285	2,900	8,500	5.85	30,000	1.01	1,800
MAR 1991	121,000	175,500	1,370	4,400	25,000	5.57	93,000	1.03	670
APR 1991	61,000	242,750	547	2,400	17,000	5.72	37,000	1.02	923
MAY 1991	163,000	183,000	1,080	7,600	65,000	5.51	139,000	1.02	747
JUN 1991	77,000	137,500	820	2,840	14,000	6.28	56,000	1.02	300
JUL 1991	87,000	174,500	900	4,200	20,000	5.82	65,000	1.02	580
AUG 1991	74,000	174,500	493	6,100	18,000	5.95	53,000	1.00	530
SEP 1991	122,000	208,000	660	3,900	59,000	5.73	100,000	1.03	630
OCT 1991	64,000	68,400	840	3,040	23,500	5.90	44,000	1.02	500
NOV 1991	95,000	50,087	904	3,250	14,000	6.12	74,000	1.04	390
DEC 1991	99,000	28,333	865	2,420	9,000	5.68	49,000	1.02	364
JAN 1992	55,000	78,634	570	1,780	11,400	5.85	30,000	1.01	190
FEB 1992	48,600	14,751	593	1,600	11,000	6.01	29,000	1.02	222
MAR 1992	41,000	40,262	213	630	9,400	5.80	26,000	1.00	170
APR 1992	115,000	119,225	480	580	33,100	5.72	101,000	0.97	472
MAY 1992	35,000	54,097	460	1,350	11,000	6.60	22,000	0.98	440
JUN 1992	91,000	74,725	1,370	3,420	39,600	6.11	77,000	0.98	357
JUL 1992	59,500	101,883	700	5,850	19,600	5.95	35,600	0.97	880
AUG 1992	48,000	48,500	750	1,640	12,500	5.64	38,000	1.02	110
SEP 199 2	52,100	59,054	1,180	3,000	14,000	5.90	35,500	1.01	500

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
OCT 1992	110,000	56,074	1,670	4,800	24,000	6.12	82,000	0.93	927
NOV 1992	106,000	64,348	660	2,300	64,300	5.63	84,700	0.99	490
DEC 1992	91,300	58,193	990	1,830	30,100	5.68	62,100	1.03	240
JAN 1993	71,100	60,319	570	3,000	23,100	5.73	47,000	1.05	250
Maximum	176,500	242,750	1,670	7,600	65,000	6.6	150,500	1.05	2,120
Minimum	35,000	14,751	213	500	8,500	5.5	22,000	0.97	110
Number	30	30	30	29	30	30	30	29	28
lean	85,570	100,055	835	3,123	26,370	5.9	62,747	1.01	657
Std. Dev.	35,073	59,579	364	1,756	16,996	0.3	33,077	0.02	526
Outlier +	190,788	278,791	1,928	8,391	77,358	6.7	161,977	1.07	2,235
Outlier -	-19,648	-78,682	-257	-2,144	-24,618	5.1	-36,483	0.95	-921
DAF Sludge Data	With Outliers Remove	d and Recommended Per	rmit Limits						
Number	30	30	30	29	30	30	30	29	28
Mean	85,570	100,055	835	3,123	26,370	5.9	62,747	1.01	657
Std. Dev.	35,073	59,579	364	1,756	16,996	0.3	33,077	0.02	526
Upper Limit	163,432	232,319	1,644	7,021	64,101	5.3	136,177	1.06	1,825
Lower Limit						6.5		0.97	
Rounded Limit	163,430	232,320	1,640	7,020	64,100		136,180		1,830
MPRSA Section 10	2 Special Permit #OD	90-01 DAF Sludge Limi	its						
Upper Limit	230,460	376,520	3,050	18,100	129,590	5.5	182,210	1.07	7,500
Lower Limit						7.0		0.92	
Changes in DAF S	ludge Limits from OD	90-01 to OD 93-01							
Upper Limit	-67,030	-144,200	-1,410	-11,080	-65,490	-0.2	-46,030	-0.01	-5,670
Percent Change	-29	-38	-46	-61	-51	-4	-25	-1	-76
Lower Limit						-0.5		0.05	
Percent Change						-7		5	

^{* =} Violation of MPRSA § 102 Permit #OD 90-01, NA = Not Available, Underlined Value = Outlier not included in limit calculations.

Table 2. StarKist Samoa Cooker Juice Data from August 1990 to January 1993 under OD 90-01.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
AUG 1990	58,000	98,000	647	5,200	600	6.09	42,000	1.02	3,865
SEP 1990	34,000	107,500	430	4,000	2,500	6.26	25,000	1.00	1,695
OCT 1990	56,000	69,000	530	4,300	960	6.30	41,000	1.02	3,850
NOV 1990	66,000	56,000	824	4,700	1,300	5.98	49,000	1.03	238
DEC 1990	42,000	47,000	802	4,300	500	6.08	28,000	1.00	406
JAN 1991	43,500	64,500	293	3,251	2,990	6.05	30,500	1.01	236
FEB 1991	31,000	25,500	360	2,200	610	5.92	20,000	1.01	130
MAR 1991	56,000	158,000	590	5,200	410	6.04	38,000	1.02	215
APR 1991	55,000	198,250	616	4,900	2,200	6.16	37,000	1.02	761
MAY 1991	60,000	171,500	785	5,930	350	6.12	40,000	1.01	139
JUN 1991	56,000	111,250	580	5,110	690	6.32	39,000	1.02	260
JUL 1991	43,000	152,000	520	3,400	2,200	6.19	30,000	1.01	270
AUG 1991	74,500	165,000	632	6,100	4,300	6.02	51,000	0.99	295
SEP 1991	79,000	137,500	810	5,200	1,400	6.07	51,000	1.06	326
OCT 1991	129,000	85,050	500	6,270	*12,600	5.98	102,000	1.03	270
NOV 1991	48,000	35,541	541	3,280	2,300	6.11	33,000	1.01	170
DEC 1991	79,000	35,333	728	5,080	*13,400	5.98	56,000	1.02	262
JAN 1992	88,000	86,186	710	5,900	2,100	6.08	56,000	1.04	300
FEB 1992	57,000	39,837	594	4,600	*6,800	6.26	35,000	1.02	762
MAR 1992	63,000	45,016	585	4,480	2,600	6.06	44,000	1.03	380
APR 1992	72,200	54,947	690	5,900	*9,000	6.06	53,500	1.00	350
MAY 1992	68,000	44,799	680	5,900	4,000	6.14	48,000	1.02	220
JUN 1992	58,000	43,429	457	5,330	93	6.07	34,000	1.03	348
JUL 1992	76,800	60,002	540	6,390	*12,600	6.01	55,500	1.03	220
AUG 1992	71,000	50,346	830	6,460	2,820	5.86	44,000	0.98	440
SEP 1992	61,500	43,628	650	6,480	790	6.12	50,600	0.99	220

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
OCT 1992	62,000	47,067	756	5,600	1,700	6.21	42,000	1.06	228
NOV 1992	78,200	35,976	640	9,500	2,010	6.10	53,900	1.04	690
DEC 1992	72,000	47,263	860	6,630	340	5.98	41,300	1.01	190
JAN 1993	131,000	56,181	690	6,100	<u>*23,000</u>	6.05	103,000	1.01	300
Maximum	131,000	198,250	860	6,630	13,400	6.3	56,000	1.06	762
Minimum	31,000	25,500	293	2,200	340	5.9	20,000	0.98	130
Number	30	30	30	29	28	30	28	30	27
.Aean	65,623	79,053	629	5,110	3,360	6.1	41,725	1.02	319
Std. Dev.	21,870	47,792	139	1,105	3,808	0.1	9,765	0.02	165
Outlier +	131,232	222,429	1,045	8,426	14,784	6.4	71,019	1.07	816
Outlier -	14	-64,322	213	1,794	-8,065	5.8	12,431	0.96	-177
Cooker Juice Date	a With Outliers Rem	oved and Recommended	Permit Limits						
Number	30	30	30	29	28	30	28	30	27
Mean	65,623	79,053	629	5,110	3,360	6.1	41,725	1.02	319
Std. Dev.	21,870	47,792	139	1,105	3,808	0.1	9,765	0.02	165
Upper Limit	114,174	185,151	937	7,564	11,814	5.9	63,402	1.06	687
Lower Limit						6.3		0.98	
Pounded Limit	114,180	185,150	940	7,560	11,810		63,400		690
MPRSA Section 1	02 Special Permit #0	OD 90-01 Cooker Juice L	imits						
Upper Limit	158,290	365,450	1,150	21,380	4,830	5.5	146,900	1.06	21,200
Lower Limit						7.0		0.97	
Changes in Cooke	er Juice Limits from	OD 90-01 to OD 93-01							
Upper Limit	-44,110	-180,300	-210	-13,820	6,980	0.4	-83,500	0.00	-20,510
Percent Change	-28	-49	-18	-65	145	6	-57	0	-97
Lower Limit						-0.7		0.01	
Percent Change						-10		1	

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Table 3. StarKist Samoa Press Liquor Data from August 1990 to January 1993 under OD 90-01.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
AUG 1990	245,000	164,000	*2,030	23,000	50,000	5.93	221,000	1.04	9,300
SEP 1990	260,000	189,000	*2,242	12,400	*120,000	6.08	244,000	1.03	<u>3,845</u>
ОСТ 1990	245,000	157,500	654	10,000	*83,000	6.28	230,000	0.94	<u>3,050</u>
NOV 1990	200,000	158,500	1,105	8,800	*89,000	6.25	180,000	1.03	360
DEC 1990	205,000	143,000	1,257	9,650	54,000	6.28	184,000	1.04	565
JAN 1991	207,000	161,500	648	14,487	50,500	6.16	187,000	1.02	360
FEB 1991	190,000	138,000	1,850	11,000	40,000	6.22	165,000	1.06	280
MAR 1991	250,000	241,000	1,590	10,600	60,000	6.03	231,000	1.05	350
APR 1991	210,000	327,375	1,120	13,900	*72,000	6.15	185,000	1.02	943
MAY 1991	231,000	76,500	*2,430	13,000	*63,000	6.10	201,000	1.02	1,030
JUN 1991	178,000	270,500	1,540	10,200	45,000	6.21	159,000	1.01	510
JUL 1991	242,000	183,000	*2,200	11,400	41,000	6.34	216,000	1.07	800
AUG 1991	146,000	212,000	1,000	10,500	32,000	6.11	129,000	0.97	325
SEP 1991	155,000	230,500	1,300	7,400	38,000	5.95	127,000	1.04	495
OCT 1991	149,000	137,200	1,470	10,700	28,100	5.99	121,000	1.00	530
NOV 1991	76,000	73,928	800	6,000	8,400	6.08	54,000	1.03	280
DEC 1991	240,000	116,033	*2,180	14,100	43,800	5.95	212,000	1.02	503
JAN 1992	237,000	287,080	1,900	12,600	43,000	6.25	206,000	1.04	890
FEB 1992	224,000	131,039	1,660	11,600	47,000	6,22	203,000	1.04	782
MAR 1992	271,000	189,000	*3,620	13,600	*53,000	6.45	229,000	1.03	1,490
APR 1992	256,000	220,167	1,600	14,100	*80,400	6.30	232,000	1.04	1,160
MAY 1992	*288,000	253,917	1,600	13,000	*114,500	6.13	224,000	1.06	370
JUN 199 2	198,000	256,800	1,350	13,600	50,500	6.19	172,000	1.04	247
JUL 1992	116,000	124,542	760	9,160	30,600	6.02	90,300	1.02	240
AUG 1992	190,000	159,667	1,940	13,700	*91,000	5.95	122,000	1.03	520
SEP 1992	203,000	189,933	1,490	17,800	52,700	6.26	179,000	1.01	660

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oll and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Sollds (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
OCT 1992	49,000	133,347	633	5,200	18,000	6.52	37,000	1.04	1,080
NOV 1992	171,000	142,510	1,070	6,700	*75,500	6.08	152,000	1.02	1,160
DEC 1992	268,000	163,470	*3,100	19,200	49,500	5.95	217,000	1.05	1,000
JAN 1993	240,000	157,000	*2,300	15,300	59,900	6.18	192,000	1.06	550
Maximum	288,000	327,375	3,620	23,000	120,000	6.5	244,000	1.07	1,490
Minimum	49,000	73,928	633	5,200	8,400	5.9	37,000	0.97	240
Number	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	29	27
ean	204,667	179,600	1,615	12,090	56,113	6.2	176,710	1.03	647
Std. Dev.	55,497	59,096	697	3,725	25,212	0.1	52,059	0.02	335
Outlier +	371,159	356,887	3,705	23,265	131,750	6.6	332,887	1.09	1,651
Outlier -	38,175	2,314	-476	915	-19,523	5.7	20,533	0.97	-356
Press Liquor Data	With Outliers Remov	ed and Recommended	Permit Limits						
Number	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	29	27
Mean	204,667	179,600	1,615	12,090	56,113	6.2	176,710	1.03	647
Std. Dev.	55,497	59,096	697	3,725	25,212	0.1	52,059	0.02	335
Upper Limit	327,871	310,792	3,162	20,359	112,084	5.8	292,281	1.08	1,390
Lower Limit						6.5		0.99	
Rounded Limit	327,870	310,790	3,160	20,360	112,080		292,280		1,390
MPRSA Section 1	02 Special Permit #OI) 90-01 Press Liquor Li	mits						
Upper Limit	271,920	399,090	1,990	31,550	62,150	5.5	385,630	1.07	21,170
Lower Limit						7.0		0.96	
Changes in Press	Liquor Limits from O	D 90-01 to OD 93-01							
Upper Limit	55,950	-88,300	1,170	-11,190	49,930	0.3	-93,350	0.01	-19,780
Percent Change	21	-22	59	-35	80	6	-24	1	-93
Lower Limit						-0.5		0.03	
Percent Change						-7		3	

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Table 4. VCS Samoa Packing DAF Sludge Data from August 1990 to December 1992 under OD 90-02.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (pH units)
AUG 1990	140,000	140,000	2,050	6,800	11,500	130,000	0.97	*3,050	6.8
SEP 1990	41,500	97,000	405	4,900	20,000	30,000	1.02	*3,650	6.8
OCT 1990	142,000	286,000	820	7,900	108,000	129,000	0.99	*2,800	6.9
NOV 1990	150,000	96,000	770	2,900	39,000	141,000	0.87	310	*5.3
DEC 1990	168,000	NA	1,900	*15,400	60,000	158,000	0.98	1,600	6.3
JAN 1991	105,000	NA	3,350	NA	74,180	76,000	0.95	*3,000	6.2
FEB 1991	179,000	NA	2,300	8,400	89,480	161,000	0.98	990	5.8
MAR 1991	175,000	86,000	1,450	NA	22,775	162,000	1.01	1,650	6.1
APR 1991	395,000	NA	1,500	NA	263,150	*375,000	0.98	1,470	5.7
MAY 1991	228,000	139,000	*4,250	NA	99,115	215,000	0.98	1,850	5.7
JUN 1991	327,000	NA	1,950	8,400	205,270	306,000	0.98	590	*5.2
JUL 1991	349,000	246,000	750	6,272	126,000	*337,000	0.99	1,220	5.7
AUG 1991	236,000	132,000	1,150	1,344	51,000	219,000	0.96	1,000	5.5
SEP 1991	266,000	108,000	2,300	560	187,850	246,000	0.97	830	*5.2
OCT 1991	234,000	232,000	1,050	2,240	131,300	227,000	0.95	1,090	6.0
NOV 1991	258,000	NA	2,100	11,200	133,600	236,000	0.98	1,400	5.6
DEC 1991	432,000	NA	3,000	*19,600	280,000	*421,000	0.95	1,130	6.0
JAN 1992	254,100	221,000	2,700	8,400	*373,000	*414,000	0.93	190	*4.7
FEB 1992	315,400	200,000	300	3,150	*299,000	*360,000	0.91	1,440	5.5
MAR 1992	296,700	<u>*518,000</u>	<u>*7,200</u>	4,900	182,000	*336,000	0.99	580	5.7
APR 1992	222,100	2,220	1,800	*17,500	154,780	251,000	0.99	2,020	5.9
MAY 1992	231,000	<u>*4,780,000</u>	1,300	12,600	*350,440	281,000	0.94	930	5.9
JUN 1992	294,000	290,000	1,200	14,000	*428,160	280,000	0.88	463	5.5
JUL 1992	114,000	136,000	1,700	11,900	173,000	100,000	*0.83	670	5.6
AUG 1992	130,000	260,000	3,300	*19,600	3,700	95,000	0.98	1,810	5.8
SEP 1992	52,000	42,300	1,800	12,880	62,600	36,000	0.93	706	6.3

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (pH units)
OCT 1992	159,000	182,800	1,000	6,720	173,600	148,000	0.92	640	5.9
NOV 1992	151,000	151,000	1,500	15,120	151,720	137,000	0.89	*3,300	6.3
DEC 1992	*494,000	38,700	1,200	10,640	99,320	44,500	0.97	730	6.2
Maximum	494,000	290,000	4,250	19,600	428,160	421,000	1.02	3,650	6.9
Minimum	41,500	2,220	300	560	3,700	30,000	0.83	190	4.7
Number	29	20	28	25	29	29	29	29	29
Mean	225,476	154,301	1,746	9,333	150,122	208,672	0.95	1,418	5.9
i. Dev.	106,449	81,405	921	5,448	110,620	111,212	0.04	924	0.5
Outlier +	544,824	398,516	4,508	25,676	481,981	542,307	1.08	4,189	7.3
Outlier -	-93,872	-89,914	-1,016	-7,010	-181,737	-124,962	0.82	-1,354	4.4
DAF Sludge Dat	a With Outliers Remo	oved and Recommended	Permit Limits						
Number	29	20	28	25	29	29	29	29	29
Mean	225,476	154,301	1,746	9,333	150,122	208,672	0.95	1,418	5.9
Std. Dev.	106,449	81,405	921	5,448	110,620	111,212	0.04	924	0.5
Upper Limit	461,794	349,348	3,790	21,819	395,698	455,562	1.05	3,468	4.8
Lower Limit							0.86		7.0
Rounded Limit	461,790	349,350	3 ,790	21,820	395,700	455,560		3,470	
MPRSA Section	102 Special Permit #0	OD 90-02 DAF Sludge Li	mits						
∪pper Limit	492,000	443,840	3,910	14,950	282,750	308,700	1.08	2,570	5.5
Lower Limit							0.85		7.0
Changes in DAF	Sludge Limits from (OD 90-02 to OD 93-02							
Upper Limit	-30,210	-94,490	-120	6,870	112,950	146,860	-0.03	900	-0.7
Percent Change	-6	-21	-3	46	40	48	-3	35	-13
Lower Limit							0.01		0
Percent Change							1		0

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Table 5. VCS Samoa Packing Precooker Water Data from August 1990 to December 1992 under OD 90-02.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (pH units)
AUG 1990	11,000	6,400	120	890	200	7,700	1.00	<u>590</u>	6.2
SEP 1990	91,000	40,000	970	8,300	7,300	73,000	1.03	<u>780</u>	6.2
OCT 1990	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NOV 1990	*435,000	58,000	460	2,700	34,000	*429,000	1.00	430	6.1
DEC 1990	73,000	NA	950	9,520	<200	50,000	1.03	130	6.1
JAN 1991	102,000	NA	1,100	4,480	23,771	76,000	1.03	260	6.0
FEB 1991	45,000	NA	1,300	5,600	2,866	28,000	0.95	90	6.2
MAR 1991	46,000	21,000	850	4,200	2,499	32,000	1.02	130	6.6
APR 1991	52,000	NA	950	4,340	5,229	35,000	1.04	135	5.9
MAY 1991	58,000	33,000	1,450	2,800	7,212	47,000	1.01	235	5.8
JUN 1991	83,000	NA	1,675	5,600	7,814	55,000	1.04	220	5.9
JUL 1991	95,000	37,000	1,025	1,820	3,000	69,000	1.03	200	5.9
AUG 1991	51,000	35,000	1,150	1,750	11,300	45,000	0.99	110	6.2
SEP 1991	62,000	30,000	575	2,240	48,630	53,000	1.04	110	6.1
OCT 1991	72,000	40,000	725	700	2,100	48,000	1.02	225	6.3
NOV 1991	65,000	33,000	900	6,020	7,800	50,000	0.99	120	6.4
DEC 1991	31,000	NA	1,250	3,500	7,800	24,000	0.99	<u>1,380</u>	6.0
JAN 1992	71,000	24,300	2,000	6,580	900	49,000	1.00	120	6.0
FEB 1992	50,000	19,300	300	3,150	2,600	39,000	0.97	156	6.7
MAR 1992	32,000	17,000	1,200	3,850	670	23,000	0.98	250	6.1
APR 1992	77,900	510	400	7,875	7,190	63,000	0.98	178	6.0
MAY 1992	59,000	*258,000	650	4,375	4,362	41,000	0.99	160	6.0
JUN 1992	34,000	19,300	850	5,250	3,318	22,000	0.98	90	6.3
JUL 1992	32,700	19,900	950	5,250	6,504	21,300	0.97	98	5.9
AUG 1992	67,000	42,000	1,000	7,980	*264,000	54,000	1.00	415	5.4
SEP 1992	81,000	58,200	900	9,660	2,640	47,000	0.99	293	5.9

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (pH units)
OCT 1992	103,000	47,000	1,400	10,920	6,504	73,000	1.02	208	6.1
NOV 1992	97,000	30,900	1,000	13,300	3,490	65,600	1.00	325	6.2
DEC 1992	63,300	30,200	1,100	12,042	2,808	46,100	1.00	220	6.0
Maximum	103,000	58,200	2,000	13,300	11,300	76,000	1.04	430	6.7
Minimum	11,000	510	120	700	200	7,700	0.95	90	5.4
Number	27	21	28	28	24	27	28	25	28
Mean	63,144	30,572	971	5,525	4,429	45,804	1.00	196	6.1
d. Dev.	23,438	14,373	396	3,289	2,898	17,408	0.02	92	0.2
Outlier +	133,460	73,691	2,161	15,392	13,123	98,028	1.07	474	6.8
Outlier -	-7,171	-12,547	-218	-4,343	-4,264	-6,421	0.93	-81	5.4
Precooker Water D	ata With Outliers Re	moved and Recomme	ended Permit Limits						
Number	27	21	28	28	24	27	28	25	28
Mean	63,144	30,572	971	5,525	4,429	45,804	1.00	196	6.1
Std. Dev.	23,438	14,373	396	3,289	2,898	17,408	0.02	92	0.2
Upper Limit	115,178	64,651	1,851	12,827	11,178	84,450	1.06	408	5.5
Lower Limit							0.95		6.6
Rounded Limit	115,180	64,650	1,850	12,830	11,180	84,450	44**	410	
MPRSA Section 10	2 Special Permit #OD) 90-02 Precooker Wa	iter Limits						
opper Limit	257,290	60,220	2,170	20,820	207,830	358,180	1.04	2,740	5.5
Lower Limit							0.96		7.0
Changes in Precool	Changes in Precooker Water Limits from OD 90-02 to OD 93-02								
Upper Limit	-142,110	4,430	-320	-7,990	-196,650	-273,730	0.02	-2,330	0
Percent Change	-55	7	-15	-38	-95	-76	1	-85	0
Lower Limit							-0.01		-0.4
Percent Change							-1		-5

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Table 6. VCS Samoa Packing Press Water Data from August 1990 to December 1992 under OD 90-02.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (mg/L)
AUG 1990	280,000	230,000	1,000	1,200	150,000	260,000	1.02	2,900	6.9
SEP 1990	193,000	NA	990	10,800	52,000	178,000	1.02	360	6.9
OCT 1990	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NOV 1990	216,000	109,000	1,290	9,700	53,000	200,000	1.00	400	6.0
DEC 1990	273,000	NA	1,250	*39,200	107,000	252,000	1.04	510	6.2
JAN 1991	286,000	NA	2,550	21,000	157,020	266,000	1.03	290	5.9
FEB 1991	128,000	172,000	900	4,760	42,130	111,000	1.00	240	6.1
MAR 1991	290,000	102,000	2,850	NA	57,350	270,000	1.04	440	6.2
APR 1991	258,000	NA	1,350	12,600	86,580	229,000	1.02	452	5.8
MAY 1991	105,000	58,000	4,100	NA	22,315	89,000	1.01	875	6.0
JUN 1991	287,000	NA	1,800	23,800	132,010	260,000	1.04	350	5.8
JUL 1991	202,000	118,000	1,400	7,000	32,000	178,000	1.02	320	5.9
AUG 1991	235,000	165,000	1,950	4,200	41,000	214,000	*0.97	300	5. 9
SEP 1991	282,000	185,000	1,650	3,920	143,410	262,000	1.06	270	6.0
OCT 1991	165,000	91,000	1,950	3,920	15,100	148,000	1.02	287	6.3
NOV 1991	163,000	NA	2,100	8,960	42,600	147,000	1.02	250	6.5
DEC 1991	41,000	NA	2,200	11,200	8,000	29,000	1.00	3,160	6.0
JAN 1992	269,000	163,000	3,000	23,240	93,000	251,000	1.00	760	6.2
FEB 1992	42,175	86,000	2,100	*35,200	68,000	140,000	1.00	382	6.2
MAR 1992	136,200	222,000	<u>5,700</u>	14,000	120,000	246,000	0.99	510	6.3
APR 199 2	76,775	1,980	1,000	21,000	78,710	*448,000	1.00	265	6.1
MAY 1992	22,600	311,000	600	9,800	125,710	*395,000	*0.97	230	6.0
JUN 1992	355,000	300,000	1,000	17,500	54,550	339,000	0.99	503	6.2
JUL 1992	234,000	88,500	1,400	18,200	75,430	199,000	1.00	305	5.9
AUG 1992	166,000	340,000	1,500	14,000	242,000	95,000	0.99	580	5.5
SEP 1992	163,000	125,000	1,300	17,920	68,600	131,000	0.98	510	6.0

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (mg/L)
OCT 1992	138,000	98,100	1,300	12,600	75,430	106,000	1.00	815	6.2
NOV 1992	229,000	179,000	1,200	17,080	39,640	201,000	0.99	239	6.1
DEC 1992	189,000	77,500	1,500	15,120	32,350	171,000	1.02	550	6.2
Maximum	355,000	340,000	3,000	39,200	157,020	448,000	1.06	875	6.9
Minimum	22,600	1,980	600	1,200	8,000	29,000	0.97	230	5.5
Number	28	21	26	26	27	28	28	26	28
Mean	193,741	153,432	1,582	14,535	73,072	207,679	1.01	423	6.1
td. Dev.	84,581	85,668	596	8,973	41,795	90,827	0.02	177	0.3
Outlier +	447,484	410,436	3,369	41,455	198,457	480,159	1.07	953	7.0
Outlier -	-60,002	-103,571	-205	-12,384	-52,314	-64,802	0.94	-108	5.3
Press Water Data	With Outliers Remove	ed and Recommended Per	rmit Limits						
Number	28	21	26	26	27	28	28	26	28
Mean	193,741	153,432	1,582	14,535	73,072	207,679	1.01	423	6.1
Std. Dev.	84,581	85,668	596	8,973	41,795	90,827	0.02	177	0.3
Upper Limit	381,511	356,551	2,947	35,102	165,857	409,314	1.06	828	5.5
Lower Limit							0.96		6.8
Round Limit	381,510	356,550	2,950	35,100	165,860	409,310		830	
*PRSA Section 10	02 Special Permit #OL	90-02 Press Water Limi	ts						
Upper Limit	463,780	524,270	6,860	32,020	386,480	384,560	1.07	4,940	5.5
Lower Limit							0.98		7.0
Changes in Press	Changes in Press Water Limits from OD 90-02 to OD 93-02								
Upper Limit	-82,270	-167,720	-3,910	3,080	-220,620	24,750	-0.01	-4,110	0
Percent Change	-18	-32	-57	10	-57	6	-1	-83	0
Lower Limit							-0.02		-0.2
Percent Change							-2		-3

^{* =} Violation of MPRSA § 102 Permit #OD 90-02, NA = Not Available, Underlined Value = Outlier not included in limit calculations.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PROPOSED ACTION U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) REGION IX 75 HAWTHORNE STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94105-3901

Applications for Permits to Transport and Dump Materials into Ocean Waters

Public Notice for Ocean Dumping Permit Numbers OD 93-01 and OD 93-02

Pursuant to Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) of 1972, as amended (33 U.S.C. § 1401 et seq.) and 40 C.F.R. § 222.3 of EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations (42 Fed. Reg. 2462, Jan. 11, 1977), notice is hereby given by this office of complete applications for permits to transport and dispose fish processing wastes into ocean waters of Tutuila Island, American Samoa. The permit applicants are: STARKIST SEAFOOD COMPANY, INC. (an affiliate of H.J. HEINZ COMPANY), 180 East Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802-4797 and VAN CAMP SEAFOOD COMPANY, INC., 4510 Executive Dr., Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92121-3029, for their respective subsidiary companies: STARKIST SAMOA, INC., P.O. Box 368, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799 and VCS SAMOA PACKING COMPANY, INC., P.O. Box 957, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799.

EPA has made a tentative decision to issue special ocean dumping permits to StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company for a three-year period. The Agency has determined that these permits are required for ocean disposal of fish processing wastes produced at canneries in Pago Pago, American Samoa. The fish processing wastes to be disposed from StarKist Samoa are: dissolved air flotation (DAF) sludge, cooker juice and press liquor. The fish processing wastes to be disposed from VCS Samoa Packing are: DAF sludge, precooker water and press water. Based on dilution levels expected at the designated ocean disposal site, the fish processing wastes are not expected to cause significant long-term impacts to oceanic water quality, marine ecosystems or human health.

The fish processing wastes will be disposed at an ocean disposal site 5.45 nautical miles southeast of Tutuila Island. The ocean disposal site has center coordinates of 14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude and a radius of 1.5 nautical miles. The water depth at the disposal site is about 9,000 feet. This site was designated for use on February 6, 1990 (55 Fed. Reg. 3948) and was used by the two American Samoa canneries for disposal of fish processing wastes under MPRSA § 102 special permits OD 90-01 (StarKist Samoa) and OD 90-02 (VCS Samoa Packing Company) for three years. No significant long-term environmental impacts were found at the site during site monitoring activities.

During the term of special permits OD 93-01 and OD 93-02, the permittees must continue monitoring programs for fish processing waste streams, disposal vessel navigation and monthly ocean disposal site monitoring. Information compiled during the term of these permits and any previous information about ocean disposal of fish processing wastes off

American Samoa will be used by EPA Region IX to determine compliance with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations defined at 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228 and the Special MPRSA § 102 permits.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION AND TENTATIVE DETERMINATION

DAF sludge is waste material that remains after treatment of fish processing wastes to remove grease and suspended particulate matter. DAF sludge also contains aluminum sulfate or alum (an odor reducing chemical) and coagulant polymers (to coagulate suspended matter) that are added during the waste treatment process. Cooker juice or precooker water is a combination of stick water and other process water that collects under the steam precookers at the fish plants. Press liquor or press water is waste water produced at the fish meal plants when fish scrap is cooked and pressed before being dried to produce livestock food meal.

There are no changes in the volumes of fish processing wastes proposed for disposal by either applicant. The proposed disposal volumes are:

Fish Processing Waste	StarKist Samoa (gallons/day)	VCS Samoa Packing (gallons/day)	Total Volume (gallons/day)
DAF Sludge	60,000	60,000	120,000
Cooker Juice	100,000	0	100,000
Precooker Water	0	100,000	100,000
Press Liquor	40,000	0	40,000
Press Water	0	40,000	40,000
Daily Maximum	200,000	200,000	400,000

Based on EPA Region IX's review of data collected under the previous MPRSA § 102 special permits, the following changes are proposed for the new permits: 1) new permit limits have been calculated which are mostly lower than the previous permit limits, 2) analysis of heavy metals in the waste streams has been deleted because data showed low concentrations of all analytes, 3) analysis of petroleum hydrocarbons in the waste streams has been deleted because fish oils interfere with this analysis, 4) a new disposal vessel (the FV TASMAN SEA) is authorized and a new set of bioassays and plume modeling are required to confirm that disposal operations are similar to the previous permitted actions, 5) a computerized navigation system is required to plot the course of the vessel accurately during disposal operations, and 6) new reporting forms have been developed to aid in reporting permit monitoring information. All other general and special conditions are similar to existing conditions in MPRSA § 102 special permits OD 90-01 and OD 90-02.

INITIATION OF HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Within 30 days of the date of this notice, any person may request a public hearing to consider the issuance of, or the conditions to be imposed upon, these permits. Any such request for a public hearing must: 1) be in writing, 2) identify the person requesting the hearing, 3) state any objections to the issuance of, or to the conditions to be imposed upon, these permits, and 4) state the issues which are proposed to be considered at the hearing. Under 40 C.F.R § 222.4, the Regional Administrator's determination on whether to hold a public hearing shall be based on whether the request presents genuine issues of policy or facts amenable to resolution by public hearing.

Comments on the tentative determination and requests for public hearings may be submitted in writing within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: Ms. Janet Y. Hashimoto, Chief, Marine Protection Section (W-7-1), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901, telephone (415) 744-1156.

The Administrative Record, which includes the applications, the draft permits, the fact sheet describing the permits and changes from special permits OD 90-01 and OD 90-02, is available for public review Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the: EPA Region IX Library, 13th Floor, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA, (415) 744-1510; EPA Pacific Island Contact Office, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 5124, Honolulu, HI, (808) 541-2710; and American Samoa EPA, Executive Office Building, Office of the Governor, Pago Pago, American Samoa, (684) 633-2304.

MARINE PROTECTION, RESEARCH AND SANCTUARIES ACT § 102 OCEAN DUMPING PERMIT

PERMIT NUMBER AND TYPE: OD 93-01 Special

EFFECTIVE DATE:

July 31, 1993

EXPIRATION DATE:

July 31, 1996

PERMITTEE:

StarKist Samoa, Inc.

P.O. Box 368

Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799

WASTE GENERATOR:

StarKist Samoa, Inc.

P.O. Box 368

Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799

WASTE GENERATED AT:

StarKist Samoa, Inc.

P.O. Box 368

Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799

PORT OF DEPARTURE:

Pago Pago Harbor, American Samoa

WASTE TRANSPORTER:

FV TASMAN SEA

Blue North Fisheries, Inc. 1130 N.W. 45th Street

Seattle, Washington 98107-4626

A special ocean dumping permit is being issued to StarKist Samoa, Inc. because the Regional Administrator of EPA Region IX has determined that disposal of fish processing wastes off American Samoa meets EPA's ocean dumping criteria at 40 C.F.R. Parts 227 and 228. For this permit, the term "fish processing wastes" shall mean either dissolved air flotation (DAF) sludge, cooker juice or press liquor generated at the permittee's plant in Pago Pago, American Samoa.

This special permit authorizes the transportation and dumping into ocean waters of fish processing wastes as described in the special conditions section pursuant to the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) of 1972 (33 U.S.C. § 1401 *et seq.*) as amended (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"); regulations issued thereunder; and the terms and conditions stated below.

This MPRSA Special Permit does not contain any information collection requirements subject to Office of Management and Budget review under the Paper Work Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. § 3501 et seq.). This determination has been made because the permit does not require data collection by more than 10 persons.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1. Operation under this special ocean dumping permit shall conform to all applicable federal statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Act, the Ocean Dumping Ban Act of 1988 (P.L. 100-688), the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act of 1987 (P.L. 100-220), the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.), and the Ports and Waterways Safety Act (33 U.S.C. § 1221 et seq.).
- 1.2. All transportation and dumping authorized herein shall be undertaken in a manner consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. StarKist Samoa, Inc. (hereafter referred to as "the permittee") shall be liable for compliance with all such terms and conditions. The permittee shall be held liable under § 105 of the Act (33 U.S.C. § 1415) if any permit violations occur. During disposal operations when the permittee's fish processing wastes are combined with similar fish processing wastes from other permittees authorized to use the ocean disposal site defined in Special Condition 2.2, all companies shall be held individually liable under § 105 of the Act (33 U.S.C. § 1415) if a permit violation occurs.
- 1.3. Under § 105 of the Act, any person who violates any provision of the Act, 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228 promulgated thereunder, or any term or condition of this permit shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than \$50,000 per day for each violation. Additionally, any knowing violation of the Act, 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228, or the permit may result in a criminal action being brought with penalties of not more than \$50,000 or one year in prison, or both. Violations of the Act or the terms and conditions of this permit include but are not limited to:
 - 1.3.1. Transportation to, and dumping at any location other than that defined in Special Condition 2.2 of this permit;
 - 1.3.2. Transportation and dumping of any material not identified in this permit, more frequently than authorized in this permit, or more than the quantities identified in this permit, unless specifically authorized by a written modification hereto;
 - 1.3.3. Failure to conduct permit monitoring as required in Special Conditions 3.1, 3.3.1, 4.7 and 5.1; or
 - 1.3.4. Failure to file fish processing waste stream reports and disposal site monitoring reports as required in Special Conditions 3.3, 4.7, 5.2 and 5.3.
- 1.4. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize, in any way, the transportation from the United States for the purpose of dumping into the ocean waters, the territorial sea, or the contiguous zone, the following materials:
 - 1.4.1. High-level radioactive wastes;
 - 1.4.2. Materials, in whatever form, produced for radiological, chemical, or biological warfare;

- 1.4.3. Persistent synthetic or natural materials which may float or remain in suspension in the ocean; or
- 1.4.4. Medical wastes as defined in § 3(k) of the Act.
- 1.4.5. Flotables, garbage, domestic trash, waste chemicals, solid waste, or any materials prohibited by the Ocean Dumping Ban Act or the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act.
- 1.5. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize, in any way, violation of applicable American Samoa Water Quality Standards. The following water quality standards apply:

Table 1. 1989 American Samoa Water Quality Standards: Oceanic Waters [§24.0207(g)(1-7)].

Parameter	Median Not to Exceed the Given Value
Turbidity	0.20 NTU
Total Phosphorus	11.0 μg-P/L
Total Nitrogen	115.0 μg-N/L
Chlorophyll a	0.18 μg/L
Light Penetration Depth	150 feet, to exceed the given value 50% of the time.
Dissolved Oxygen	Not less than 80% of saturation or less than 5.5 mg/L. If the natural level of dissolved oxygen is less than 5.5 mg/L, then the natural dissolved oxygen level shall become the standard.
pН	The pH range shall be 6.5 to 8.6 pH units and within 0.2 pH units of the level which occurs naturally.

- 1.6. After notice and opportunity for a hearing, this permit may be revised, revoked or limited, in whole or in part, subject only to the provisions of 40 C.F.R. §§ 222.3(b) through 222.3(h) and 40 C.F.R. § 223.2, as a result of a determination by the Regional Administrator of EPA that:
 - 1.6.1. The cumulative impact of the permittee's dumping activities or the aggregate impact of all dumping activities in the dump site designated in Special Condition 2.2 should be categorized as Impact Category I, as defined in 40 C.F.R. § 228.10(c)(1);

- 1.6.2. There has been a change in circumstances about the management of the disposal site designated in Special Condition 2.2;
- 1.6.3. The dumping authorized by the permit would violate applicable American Samoa Water Quality Standards;
- 1.6.4. The dumping authorized can no longer be carried out consistent with the criteria defined at 40 C.F.R. Parts 227 and 228;
- 1.6.5. The permittee violated any term or condition of the permit;
- 1.6.6. The permittee misrepresented, or did not disclose all relevant facts in the permit application accurately; or
- 1.6.7. The permittee did not keep records, engage in monitoring and reporting activities, or to notify appropriate officials in a timely manner of the transportation and dumping activities as specified in any condition of this permit.
- 1.7. The permittee shall ensure always that facilities, including any vessels associated with the permit, are in good working order to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. During all transportation and loading operations, there shall not be a loss of fish processing wastes to any waterway or during transport to the disposal site.
- 1.8. Any change in the designated fish processing waste transporter may be made at the discretion of the Regional Administrator or his delegate. A written request for such a transfer shall be made by the permittee at least thirty (30) days before the requested transfer date. Written approval by the EPA Regional Administrator must be obtained before such a transfer occurs.
- 1.9. The permittee shall allow the EPA Regional Administrator, the Commander of the Fourteenth U.S. Coast Guard District (USCG), the Director of the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency (ASEPA), and/or their authorized representatives to:
 - 1.9.1. Enter into, upon, or through the permittee's premises, vessels, or other premises or vessels under the control of the permittee, where, or in which, a source of material to be dumped is located or in which any records are required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit or the Act;
 - 1.9.2. Have access to and copy any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit or the Act;
 - 1.9.3. Inspect any dumping equipment, navigational system equipment, monitoring equipment or monitoring methods required in this permit;

- 1.9.4. Sample or require that a sample be drawn, under EPA, USCG, or ASEPA supervision, of any materials discharged or to be discharged; or
- 1.9.5. Inspect laboratory facilities, data, and quality control records required for compliance with any condition of this permit.
- 1.10. Material which is regulated by this permit may be disposed of, due to an emergency, to safeguard life at sea in locations or in a manner that does not comply with the terms of this permit. If this occurs, the permittee shall make a full report, according to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 1001, within 15 days to the EPA Regional Administrator, the USCG and the ASEPA describing the conditions of this emergency and the actions taken, including the location, the nature and the amount of material disposed.
- 1.11. The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of rights, nor any infringement of Federal, State or local laws or regulations, nor does it obviate the necessity of obtaining State or local assent required by applicable law for the activity authorized.
- 1.12. This permit does not authorize or approve the construction of any onshore or offshore physical structures or facilities, or, except as authorized by this permit, the conduct of any work in any navigable waters.
- 1.13. Unless otherwise provided for herein, all terms used in this permit shall have the meanings assigned to them by the Act or 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228, issued thereunder.

2. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - DISPOSAL SITE AND FISH PROCESSING WASTE CHARACTERIZATION

Special conditions are necessary to define the length of the permit period, identify the disposal site location, describe fish processing wastes and define maximum permitted limits for each fish processing waste.

2.1. Location of the Waste Generator and Duration of the Permit

- 2.1.1. The material to be dumped shall consist of fish processing wastes, defined in Special Conditions 2.3 and 2.4, generated at the permittee's fish cannery in Pago Pago, American Samoa.
- 2.1.2. This permit shall become effective on July 31, 1993 and it shall expire three years from the effective data at midnight on July 31, 1996.

2.2. Location of Disposal Site

Disposal of fish processing wastes generated at the location defined in Special Condition 2.1.1 shall be confined to a circular area with a 1.5 nautical mile radius, centered at 14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.30' West longitude.

2.3. Description of Fish Processing Wastes

2.3.1. During the term of this permit, and according to all other terms and conditions of this permit, the permittee is authorized to transport for disposal into ocean waters quantities of fish processing wastes that shall not exceed the following amounts:

Table 2. Volumes of Fish Processing Wastes Authorized for Disposal.

Fish Processing Waste	Maximum Volume Authorized for Disposal (gallons/day)
Dissolved Air Flotation (DAF) Sludge	60,000
Cooker Juice	100,000
Press Liquor	40,000
Maximum Daily Volume	200,000

2.4. Fish Processing Waste Limits

Table 3. Limits for DAF Sludge, Cooker Juice and Press Liquor.

Physical or Chemical Parameter (units) ^a	DAF Sludge ^b	Cooker Juice ^b	Press Liquor ^b
Total Solids (mg/L)	163,430	114,180	327,870
Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	136,180	63,400	292,280
5-Day BOD (mg/L)	232,320	185,150	310,790
Oil and Grease (mg/L)	64,100	11,810	112,080
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	1,640	940	3,160
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	7,020	7,560	20,360
Ammonia (mg/L)	1,830	690	1,390
pH (pH units)	5.3 to 6.5	5.9 to 6.3	5.8 to 6.5
Density (g/mL)	0.97 to 1.06	0.98 to 1.06	0.99 to 1.08

a = All calculated values were rounded to the nearest 10, except the density range.

- 2.4.2. Permitted Maximum Concentrations for each type of fish processing waste were calculated based on an analysis of historical data from the permittee's previous Special Ocean Dumping Permit, number OD 90-01. The calculations followed EPA's recommended procedure for determining permit limits as defined in the EPA document titled: "Guidance Document for Ocean Dumping Permit Writers" (January 30, 1988). EPA will periodically review these limits during the permit to evaluate the accuracy of the limits. If revisions are necessary, EPA will make changes according to the authority defined in the Ocean Dumping Regulations at 40 C.F.R §§ 223.2 through 223.5.
- 2.4.3. The Permitted Maximum Concentrations, density range and pH range listed above, shall not be exceeded at any time during the term of this permit.

3. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - ANALYSIS OF FISH PROCESSING WASTES

Compliance with the permitted maximum concentrations defined in Special Condition 2.4 shall be determined by monthly monitoring of each of the fish processing waste stream permitted for ocean disposal. Additional analyses of fish processing wastes and reporting requirements are defined in this section. Any sampling dates shall be scheduled within the first two weeks of the month to allow enough time for laboratory analyses and report writing to comply with Special Condition 3.3.

3.1. Analyses of Fish Processing Wastes

3.1.1. Concentrations or values of the parameters listed in Special Condition 2.4 and those listed in the table below shall be determined for each fish processing waste stream. A sample of each fish processing waste stream shall be taken before the individual streams are mixed before being pumped into the disposal vessel. A sample shall consist of three replicate samples, taken on the day that sampling is scheduled, pooled for use as a composite sample. The detection limits specified in Table 4 shall be used in all fish processing waste stream analyses.

Table 4. Physical and Chemical Parameters to be Analyzed from Individual Samples of DAF Sludge, Cooker Juice and Press Liquor.

Parameter	Method Detection Limit
Total Solids	10.0 mg/L
Total Volatile Solids	10.0 mg/L
5-Day BOD	10.0 mg/L
Oil and Grease	10.0 mg/L
Total Phosphorus	1.0 mg/L

Parameter	Method Detection Limit
Total Nitrogen	1.0 mg/L
Ammonia	1.0 mg/L
pН	0.1 pH units
Density	0.01 g/mL

- 3.1.2. All sampling procedures, analytical protocols, and quality control/quality assurance procedures shall be performed according to guidelines specified by EPA Region IX. The following references shall be used by the permittee:
 - 3.1.2.1. 40 C.F.R. Part 136, EPA Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants Under the Clean Water Act;
 - 3.1.2.2. Tetra Tech, Incorporated. 1985. Summary of U.S. EPA-approved Methods, Standard Methods and Other Guidance for 301(h) Monitoring Variables. Final program document prepared for the Marine Operations Division, Office of Marine and Estuarine Protection, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. EPA Contract No. 68-01-693. Tetra Tech, Incorporated, Bellevue, Wa.; and
 - 3.1.2.3. Environmental Protection Agency. 1987. Quality Assurance and Quality Control for 301(h) Monitoring Programs: Guidance on Field and Laboratory Methods. Office of Marine and Estuarine Protection, Washington, D.C. EPA 430/9-86-004.
- 3.1.3. Any parameters listed in Special Condition 3.1.1 that are shown to be consistently undetected, may be eliminated from further analytical tests. Before elimination of the parameter is permitted, the permittee shall obtain written approval from EPA Region IX and the ASEPA.

3.2. Analytical Laboratory

- 3.2.1. Within 30 days of the effective date of this permit, the name and address of the contract laboratory or laboratories and a description of all analytical test procedures and quality assurance/quality control procedures, including detection limits being used, shall be provided for EPA Region IX approval.
- 3.2.2. Any potential variation or change in the designated laboratory or analytical procedures shall be reported, in writing, for EPA Region IX approval.

- 3.2.3. EPA Region IX may require analyses of quality control samples by any laboratories employed to comply with Special Condition 3.1 and Appendix A. Upon request, the permittee shall provide EPA Region IX with the analytical results from such samples.
- 3.2.4. A complete analysis of parameters, required in Special Condition 3.1, shall be made by the permittee and reported to EPA Region IX and the ASEPA whenever there is a change in the quality of the fish processing waste, process configuration, or fish processing waste treatment. If required by EPA Region IX, bioassays shall be required in addition to parameter analyses.

3.3. **Reporting**

- 3.3.1. The permittee shall provide EPA Region IX, ASEPA, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council (WPRFMC) with a report, prepared every 6 months during the permit period, that contains the following information:
 - 3.3.1.1. Daily volumes of DAF sludge, Cooker Juice and Press Liquor removed from the permittee's facility, and loaded into the disposal vessel reported in gallons per day using Form 1 (see Appendix B);
 - 3.3.1.2. Monthly fish processing waste stream analyses demonstrating that the fish processing wastes being dumped comply with the permitted limits of parameters listed in Special Condition 2.4 and a summary of the volumes of fish processing wastes disposed at the ocean site using Form 2 (see Appendix B);
 - 3.3.1.3. The monthly amount of alum (aluminum sulfate) and coagulant polymer added to the fish processing waste streams reported in pounds per month (see Forms 1 and 2).
- 3.3.2. Such reports, including a comparison with the permit limits as required on Forms 1 and 2, shall be submitted to EPA Region IX, ASEPA, NMFS USFWS and WPRFMC within 45 days of the end of the preceding 6-month period for which they were prepared. The reports shall be submitted within this time unless extenuating circumstances are communicated to EPA Region IX and the ASEPA in writing. In addition to a hard copy of Forms 1 and 2, the data contained on Form 1 shall be submitted to EPA Region IX on a 3.5" computer diskette in a format compatible with LOTUS version 2.2.
- 3.3.3. A summary report of all 6-month reports listed in Special Condition 3.3.1, including a comparisons with permit limits and a detailed discussion of the summary results, shall be submitted by the permittee to EPA and the ASEPA

45 days after the permit expires. All fish processing waste stream data shall be reported in the same format as required in Special Condition 3.3.2.

- 3.3.4. Upon detection of a violation of any permit condition, the permittee shall send a written notification of this violation to EPA Region IX and the ASEPA within five working days and a detailed written report of the violation shall be sent to the agencies within 15 working days. This notification shall pertain to any permit limits (defined in Special Condition 2.4) that are exceeded, violation of volume limits (defined in Table 2 under Special Condition 2.3.1), and any disposal operation that occurs outside the disposal site defined in Special Condition 2.2.
- 3.3.5. One year from the effective date of this special permit, the permittee shall submit a report to EPA and ASEPA on the results of suspended phase bioassay tests and reevaluation of the model used to predict the concentrations of fish processing wastes disposed at the designated site. The suspended phase bioassays shall be conducted using at least one species from each of the following three groups: Group 1 = Mytilus sp. (mussel), Crassostrea sp. (oyster), Acartia tonsa (copepod), or Trypneustes sp. (sea urchin) larvae; Group 2 = Holmsemysis costata (mysid shrimp) or Penaeus vannamei (white shrimp); and Group 3 = Citharicthys stigmaeus (speckled sanddab) or Coryphaena hippurus (dolphinfish) juveniles.

Appropriate suspended phase bioassay protocols, either protocols approved by EPA or protocols published by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), shall be followed. Suspended particulate phase bioassays shall be run using the following fish processing waste concentrations: 100%, 75%, 50%, 25%, 12.5% and a control (0%). A minimum of five replicates are required per dilution concentration. Concurrent reference toxicant tests shall be conducted when the suspended phase bioassays are run.

A sampling and testing plan shall be submitted to EPA Region IX and ASEPA for approval before the bioassay tests are conducted. The testing plan should also include a proposal to reevaluate the disposal site model using results obtained from the new series of suspended phase bioassays. These bioassays are being required to confirm the toxicity of the fish processing wastes and to reevaluate the disposal operations based on the use of different disposal vessels.

The bioassay and model confirmation report shall contain the following information:

3.3.5.1. INTRODUCTION AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project description should include the following information about fish processing waste toxicity, previous bioassay test results, previous modelling at the ocean disposal site, and the design of the new bioassay tests.

3.3.5.2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

Fish processing waste sampling and sample handling procedures should be described or referenced.

References for laboratory protocols for suspended phase bioassay tests.

- 1) EPA-approved methods and references.
- 2) Test species used in each test, the supplier or collection site for each test species, and QA/QC procedures for maintaining the test species.
- 3) Source of seawater used in reference, control and bioassay tests.
- 4) Data and statistical analysis procedures.
- 5) Limiting Permissible Concentration (LPC) calculations.
- 6) Description of model selected to evaluate dispersal of fish processing wastes at the ocean disposal site. Use of this model shall be approved by EPA Region IX and ASEPA before it is used by the permittee to evaluate the fish processing waste disposal plume.

3.3.5.3. DESCRIPTION OF SAMPLING PROCEDURES

QA/QC procedures and actual sampling procedures used during fish processing waste stream sampling and handling of the samples.

3.3.5.4. FINAL RESULTS, ANALYSIS OF DATA AND DISCUSSION

- 1) Complete bioassay data tables and summary bioassay tables shall be furnished in the report. All data tables should be typed or produced as a computer printout.
- 2) The permittee shall analyze the bioassay data and calculate the LPC of the material as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 227.27(a-b).
- The permittee shall use the LPC in the approved plume model to determine the concentration of fish processing wastes disposed at the designated ocean disposal site which complies with EPA's Ocean Dumping Criteria defined at 40 C.F.R. Parts 227 and 228.

3.3.5.5. REFERENCES

This list should include all references used in the field sampling program, laboratory protocols, LPC calculations, modelling analyses, and historical data

used to evaluate the fish processing waste disposal operations at the designated ocean disposal site.

3.3.5.6. DETAILED QA/QC PLANS AND INFORMATION

The following topics should be addressed in the QA Plan:

- 1) QA objectives.
- 2) Organization, responsibilities and personnel qualifications, internal quality control checks.
- 3) Sampling and analytical procedures.
- 4) Equipment calibration and maintenance.
- 5) Sample custody and tracking.
- 6) documentation, data reduction, and reporting.
- 7) Data validation.
- 8) Performance and systems audits.
- 9) Corrective action.
- 10) Reports.

4. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - VESSEL OPERATIONS

Specifications for vessel operations are defined to limit dumping activities to the dump site identified in Special Condition 2.2 and to record all dumping activities. Fish processing wastes from the permittee's waste streams and fish processing wastes of other authorized permittees may be loaded into the disposal vessel together. If the waste transported to the disposal site is a combination of materials from the two plants, each permittee shall be liable for all permit conditions regarding disposal of the fish processing wastes. If the fish processing wastes disposed at the site are only generated at the StarKist Samoa plant, then StarKist Samoa shall be solely liable for all permit conditions pertaining to the disposal operation.

4.1. Posting of the Permit

This permit, or a true copy thereof, shall be placed in a conspicuous place on any vessel which is used for the transportation and dumping authorized by this permit. If the dumping vessel is an unmanned barge, the permit or true copy of the permit shall be transferred to the towing vessel.

4.2. Vessel Identification

Every vessel engaged in the transportation of wastes for ocean disposal shall have its name and number painted in letters and numbers at least fourteen (14) inches high on both sides of the vessel. The name and number shall be kept distinctly legible always, and a vessel without such markings shall not be used to transport or dump waste material.

4.3. Determination of the Disposal Location Within the Dump Site

On each disposal trip, the master of the disposal vessel shall determine the location of the disposal operation as follows:

- 4.3.1. The disposal vessel, as defined under WASTE TRANSPORTER on page 1 of this permit, shall proceed directly to the center of the disposal site at the location specified in Special Condition 2.2.
- 4.3.2. The master of the vessel shall observe the conditions at the dump site center, noting the vessel's position (latitude and longitude), wind direction and observed surface current direction.
- 4.3.3. After the conditions defined in Special Condition 4.3.2 have been recorded, the master of the disposal vessel shall proceed 1.1 nautical miles up current from the center of the disposal site and record the position of the disposal vessel (latitude and longitude). This position shall be the starting point for disposal operations for each disposal trip.
- 4.3.4. The master of the disposal vessel shall prepare a computerized navigational plot of the procedures defined in Special Conditions 4.3.1 to 4.3.4 and supply these to the permittee. The permittee shall submit these computerized navigational plots with the 6-month reports required under Special Condition 3.3.1. The navigational plot shall include:
 - 4.3.4.1. The disposal vessel's course during the entire dumping operation; and
 - 4.3.4.2. The times and location of entry and exit from the disposal site, position and time of arrival at the center of the disposal site, position and time of arrival at the location 1.1 nautical miles up current from the disposal site, beginning and ending of dumping operations, and disposal vessel position plotted every 15 minutes while dumping.
- 4.3.5. The master of the disposal vessel shall sign and date each computerized navigational plot.

- 4.3.6. The master of the disposal vessel shall certify that disposal occurred in the manner required by the permit.
- 4.3.7. The procedures listed in Special Conditions 4.3.1 through 4.3.6 shall be repeated for each disposal trip.

4.4. Disposal Rate and Vessel Speed

- 4.4.1. The disposal vessel/barge shall discharge the material authorized by this permit beginning at the disposal location as determined by Special Condition 4.3.3. The vessel track shall be in a direction that is perpendicular to the current detected at the center of the disposal site as defined in Special Condition 2.2. Disposal shall occur in a oval shape along an axis at least 0.5 nautical miles on either side of the starting point determined in Special Condition 4.3.3. The entire disposal vessel track shall be within the disposal site boundaries.
 - 4.4.1.1. From June 1 through November 30, the disposal operation at the location plotted in Special Condition 4.3.3. shall be conducted at a rate of 140 gallons per minute per knot, not to exceed 1,400 gallons per minute at a maximum speed of 10 knots.
 - 4.4.1.2. From December 1 through May 31, the disposal operation at the location plotted in Special Condition 4.3.3. shall be conducted at a rate of 120 gallons per minute per knot, not to exceed 1,200 gallons per minute at a maximum speed of 10 knots.

4.5. Computerized Navigational System

The permittee shall use an onboard computerized electronic positioning system to fix the position of the disposal vessel accurately during all dumping operations. The computerized navigational system must be approved by EPA Region IX and the USCG Liaison Office (CGLO) Pago Pago. The permittee shall submit the description, specifications and example plots for the computerized navigational system at least 15 working days before the effective date of the permit. Disposal operations shall not begin until EPA Region IX and CGLO Pago Pago provide the permittee with written approval for the computerized navigation system.

4.6. Permitted Times for Disposal Operations

Dumping operations shall be restricted to daylight hours, unless an emergency exists as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 220.1(c)(4). ASEPA and CGLO Pago Pago shall be notified immediately if an emergency exists and ocean disposal is required to protect human life at sea. No later than 5 working days after the emergency, the permittee and the waste transporter shall provide EPA Region IX, ASEPA and CGLO Pago Pago with a detailed written report on the emergency situation.

4.7. Reporting of the Ocean Dumping Vessel Operations

- 4.7.1. The waste transporter shall maintain and the permittee shall submit copies of a daily transportation and dumping log, including plots of all information requested in Special Conditions 4.3 and 4.7.2. Copies of the daily logs shall be sent to EPA Region IX, CGLO Pago Pago, and the ASEPA as part of the 6-month report.
- 4.7.2. The logbook shall contain the following information for each waste disposal trip:
 - 4.7.2.1. Permit number, date and consecutive trip number;
 - 4.7.2.2. Record of contact with ASEPA and CGLO before each trip to the ocean disposal site.
 - 4.7.2.3. The time when loading of the vessel commences and ceases in Pago Pago Harbor;
 - 4.7.2.4. The volume of each waste loaded into the disposal vessel from each fish cannery;
 - 4.7.2.5. The time and navigational position that dumping commences and ceases;
 - 4.7.2.6. A record of vessel speed and direction every 15 minutes during each dumping operation at the disposal site, and a computerized plot of the vessel's course defined in Special Condition 4.3;
 - 4.7.2.7. Discharge rate from the disposal vessel.
 - 4.7.2.8. Observe, note and plot the time and position of any floatable material:
 - 4.7.2.9. Observe, note and plot the wind speed and direction every 30 minutes while dumping wastes at the designated disposal site;
 - 4.7.2.10. Observe and note current direction at the beginning and end of the disposal trip, and the direction of the waste plume at the end of the disposal operation;
 - 4.7.2.11. Observe, note and plot the presence of the previous disposal plume and any unusual occurrences during the disposal trip, or any other information relevant to the assessment of environmental impacts as a result of dumping activities; and

4.7.2.12. Any unusual occurrences noted under Special Condition 4.7.2.9 shall be highlighted in the report defined in Special Condition 3.3.1.

5. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - DUMP SITE MONITORING

The monitoring program for disposal of wastes in the ocean must document effects of disposed wastes on the receiving waters, biota, and beneficial uses of the receiving waters; compliance with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations; and determine compliance with permit terms and conditions. Revisions to the monitoring program may be made under the direction of EPA Region IX at any time during the permit term, in compliance with 40 C.F.R. §§ 223.2 and 223.3. This may include a change in the number of parameters to be monitored, the frequency of monitoring, the location of sample stations, or the number and size of samples to be collected.

Implementation of the disposal site monitoring program and all segments of the monitoring program specified in Special Condition 5 and Appendix A shall be the responsibility of the permittee.

5.1. Monitoring Program

The permittee shall conduct the monitoring program, defined in Appendix A, to determine the environmental impacts of ocean dumping of fish processing waste. If possible, monitoring cruises shall be scheduled within the first two weeks of each month to allow enough time for laboratory analysis and report writing in compliance with Special Condition 5.2. The permittee shall notify the ASEPA at least 48 hours before any scheduled monitoring activities.

5.2. Monitoring Reports

Monthly site monitoring reports shall be submitted to EPA Region IX, the ASEPA, NMFS, USFWS and WPRFMC with the 6-month reports as specified in Special Condition 3.3.2. The reports shall include: neatly compiled raw data for all sample analyses, quality assurance/quality control data, statistical analysis of sample variability between stations and within samples for each parameter, and a detailed discussion of the results.

5.3. Final Summary Report

5.3.1. A report shall be submitted to EPA Region IX, ASEPA, NMFS, USFWS and WPRFMC 60 days after the permit expires. This report shall summarize all of the data collected during the waste material and dump site monitoring programs specified in this special permit.

- 5.3.2. At a minimum, the summary report shall contain the following sections:
 - 5.3.2.1. Introduction (including a summary of previous ocean disposal activities),
 - 5.3.2.2. Location of Sampling Sites,
 - 5.3.2.3. Materials and Methods,
 - 5.3.2.4. Results and Discussion (including comparisons and contrasts with previous MPRSA § 102 research and special permit data related to disposal of fish processing wastes off American Samoa),
 - 5.3.2.5. Conclusions; and
 - 5.3.2.6. References.

5.4. Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- 5.4.1. All appropriate phases of the monitoring, sampling, and laboratory analytical procedures shall comply with the EPA Region IX-specified protocols and references listed in Special Condition 3.1.2.
- 5.4.2. The qualifications of the on-site Principal Investigator in charge of the field monitoring operation at the dump site shall be submitted to EPA Region IX and the ASEPA for approval before the initial monitoring cruise. Notification of any change in this individual shall be submitted to EPA Region IX and ASEPA at least 7 days before the cruise is scheduled.

6. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - NOTICE TO REGULATORY AGENCIES

- 6.1. Notice of Sailing to the U.S. Coast Guard Liaison Office and the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency
 - 6.1.1. The waste transporter shall provide telephone notification of sailing to CGLO Pago Pago at 633-2299 and the ASEPA at 633-2304 during working hours (7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.) no later than 24 hours before the estimated time of departure for the dump site defined in Special Condition 2.2. A record of contact with both agencies shall be reported with other information for each disposal trip.
 - 6.1.2. The waste transporter shall immediately notify CGLO Pago Pago and the ASEPA upon any changes in the estimated time of departure greater than two hours.

- 6.1.3. Surveillance of activities at the dump site designated in Special Condition 2.2, may be accomplished by unannounced aerial overflights, a USCG shiprider and/or a ASEPA shiprider who will be on board the towing/conveyance vessel for the entire voyage. Within two hours after receipt of the initial notification the waste transporter will be advised whether or not a shiprider will be assigned to the waste transporter's disposal vessel.
- 6.1.4. The following information shall be provided to CGLO Pago Pago and the ASEPA in the notification of sailing defined above:
 - 6.1.4.1. The time of departure,
 - 6.1.4.2. Estimated time of arrival at the dump site,
 - 6.1.4.3. Estimated time of departure from the dump site, and
 - 6.1.4.4. Estimated time of return to port.

6.2. Reports and Correspondence

6.2.1. Two copies of all reports and related correspondence required by General Condition 1.10, Special Conditions 3.2, 3.3, 4.3, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 6.1, and all other materials, including applications shall be submitted to EPA Region IX at the following address:

Office of Pacific Island and Native American Programs (E-4) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, California 94105-3901 Telephone (415) 744-1974

6.2.2. Two copies of all reports required by General Condition 1.10 and Special Conditions 4.5, 4.6, 4.7 and 6.1 sent to the U.S. Coast Guard shall be submitted to the following address:

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard Liaison Office
P.O. Box 249
Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799
Telephone (684) 633-2299

6.2.3. Three copies of all reports required by General Condition 1.10 and Special Conditions 3.2, 3.3, 4.3, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 and 6.1 sent to the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency shall be submitted to the following address:

Director American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency Office of the Governor Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799 Telephone (684) 633-2304

6.2.4. One copy of the all reports required by Special Conditions 3.3, 5.2 and 5.3 shall be sent to the USFWS, the NMFS and the WPRFMC at the following addresses:

Project Leader Office of Environmental Services U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 300 Ala Moana Boulevard P.O. Box 50167 Honolulu, Hawaii 96850

Western Pacific Program Officer National Marine Fisheries Service 2570 Dole Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96822-2396

Executive Director Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1405 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Signed this, 1993
For the Regional Administrator:
[To be signed when the Final Permit is prepared]
Harry Seraydarian, Director
Water Management Division
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APPENDIX A

SPECIAL OCEAN DUMPING PERMIT OD 93-01 OCEAN DUMP SITE MONITORING PLAN

7. MONITORING OF RECEIVING WATER

Monitoring of the receiving waters at the disposal site defined in Special Condition 2.2 shall be the responsibility of the permittee. Funding and cooperation for site monitoring may be accomplished through an agreement between permittee and other permittees authorized to use the disposal site. Any agreements negotiated between the permittee and other authorized permittees shall be the sole responsibility of the permittee named in this permit. EPA Region IX requires that a monitoring program be developed that complies with the special conditions defined below.

During each monitoring cruise, the fish processing waste plume from the disposal vessel shall be sampled by taking discrete water samples for the measurement of parameters listed in Special Condition 7.2.4. Results of the first 6-month monitoring report will be evaluated by EPA Region IX to determine whether portions of Special Conditions 7 and/or 8 will be revised. The evaluation will be based on documented sampling results and recommendations by the permittee(s).

7.1. Location of Water Sampling Stations

- 7.1.1. On each sampling cruise, the latitude and longitude of all sampling stations shall be determined and plotted using an acceptable navigational system.
- 7.1.2. The Principal Investigator shall ensure that discrete water samples are taken at the locations marked in Figure 1.

				Prevailing Surface Current Direction <
5 Leading Edge of Plume	4 1.0 nmi	3 0.5 nmi	2 0.25 nmi	l Starting

Figure 1. Orientation of Sample Stations (Top View) in the Middle of the Discharge Plume Visually Identified at the Time of Sampling.

- 7.1.3. The following stations, defined in Figure 1, shall be sampled on each sampling cruise:
 - 7.1.4.1. Station 1 shall be the starting point of the dumping operation as determined in Special Condition 4.3.

- 7.1.4.2. Station 2 shall be 0.25 nautical miles (nmi) down-current from Station 1.
- 7.1.4.3. Station 3 shall be 0.5 nmi down-current from Station 1.
- 7.1.4.4. Station 4 shall be 1.0 nmi down-current from Station 1.
- 7.1.4.5. Station 5 shall be at the leading edge of the discharge plume, but within the plume.
- 7.1.4. The Principal Investigator shall ensure that each sampling station is positioned as close as possible to the middle of the discharge plume according to his/her best professional judgment.

7.2. Water Column Characteristics to Be Measured

- 7.2.1. Discrete water samples at Stations 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 shall be taken at depths of 1, 3, and 10 meters from the surface at the middle of the plume visually identified by the Principal Investigator.
- 7.2.2. Surface water conditions shall be recorded at all stations including:
 - 7.2.2.1. Wind speed and direction;
 - 7.2.2.2. Current direction and wave height; and
 - 7.2.2.3. Observations of waste, color (e.g., Forel-Ule color scale), odor, floating materials, grease, oil, scum, and foam.
- 7.2.3. Water samples shall be obtained using a self-closing 3-liter water sample device at each depth listed in 7.2.1.
- 7.2.4. Water column parameters analyzed from discrete samples taken at the depths listed in 7.2.1 shall include:

Table 4. Physical and Chemical Parameters to be Analyzed from Water Samples Taken at the Ocean Disposal Site.

Parameter ^a	Method Detection Limit
Total Suspended Solids	10.0 mg/L
Total Volatile Suspended Solids	10.0 mg/L
Oil and Grease	10.0 mg/L

Parameter ^a	Method Detection Limit
Total Phosphorus	1.0 mg/L
Total Nitrogen	1.0 mg/L
Ammonia	1.0 mg/L
pН	0.1 pH units

a = Samples should be acidified to pH <2 with sulfuric acid and refrigerated a 4°C until analysis.

7.2.5. Temperature measurements shall be taken at depths of 1, 3, and 10 meters at the starting point of the disposal operation, as defined in Special Condition 4.3.3.

7.3. Frequency of Sampling

- 7.3.1. Water samples shall be collected when dumping operations occur. Each station listed under Special Condition 7.1 shall be sampled once each month. These samples shall be used to characterize the receiving waters at the disposal site.
- 7.3.2. Control samples shall be taken at Station 1 before dumping activities.
- 7.3.3. Station 1 shall be sampled at a point within the plume immediately after discharge operations cease.
- 7.3.4. Stations 2 through 5 shall be sampled consecutively at distances indicated in Special Condition 7.1.4 to allow efficient sampling of the discharge plume. The time between each sample and the sampling location, beginning with the control sample and ending with the sample collected at the leading edge of the plume, shall be recorded.

7.4. Water Quality Criteria and Standards

7.4.1. The LPC of the liquid phase of the waste material shall not be exceeded at the disposal site boundary four hours after disposal operations cease. The LPC is that concentration of the material which, after allowance for initial mixing as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 227.29, does not exceed applicable American Samoa Oceanic Water Quality Standards (see Table 1). EPA Region IX and the ASEPA will evaluate the LPC based on EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations and the concentration of parameters measured at the stations sampled during the tenure of this permit.

8. MONITORING OF BIOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

8.1. Pelagic Resources

- 8.1.1. All sightings of fish, sea turtles, sea birds, or cetaceans near the disposal site shall be recorded including:
 - 8.1.1.1. Time, location and bearing;
 - 8.1.1.2. Species name(s); and
 - 8.1.1.3. Approximate number of individuals.

APPENDIX B - REPORT FORM 1

Monthly Volumes of StarKist Samoa Fish Processing Wastes Loaded Aboard the Disposal Vessel

Month	19

OD 93-01	DAF Sludge	Cooker Juice	Press Liquor	Total/Day
	(gallons/day)	(gallons/day)	(gallons/day)	(gallons/day)
Permit Limits	60,000	100,000	40,000	200,000

Disposal Trip Date	DAF Sludge (gallons/day)		AF Sludge Cooker Juice (gallons/day)			or /)	Total/Day (gallons/day	y)
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Monthly Totals	sterisk (*) to the	ا						

NOTE: An asterisk (*) to the right of the fish processing waste volume signifies that a violation of the permit limit has occurred. The number of violations are shown in the Monthly Totals row.

	Monthly	quantities	of alum	(aluminum	sulfate)	and	coagulant	polymer	added	to	the
fish	processing v	waste strea	ıms:								

Aluminum sulfate:	•	pounds/month
Coagulant polymer:		pounds/month

APPENDIX B - REPORT FORM 2

Data Form for 6-Month Report on Waste Stream Analyses for StarKist Samoa MPRSA § 102 Permit #OD 93-01

Reporting	Period: From	19	To	19	1

StarKist Samoa - Dissolved Air Flotation (DAF) Sludge

Month & Year	Total Solic (mg/L)	is	Total Vola Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biologic Oxygen Dema (mg/L)	Oil and Gro	Total Phospho (mg/L)	rus	Total Nitro (mg/L)	Ammon (mg/L)	pH (pH uni	ts)	Densit (g/mL	
OD 93-01 Permit Limits	163,430		136,180	232,320	64,100	1,640		7,020	 1,830	5.3 to 6	.5	0.97 to 1	.06

NOIE: An asterisk (*) next to the waste concentration signifies that a violation of the permit limit has occurred.

StarKist Samoa - Cooker Juice

Month & Year	Total Solid (mg/L)	s	Total Vola Solids (mg/L)	tile	5-Day Biologic Oxygen Dema (mg/L)	Oil and Green (mg/L)	Total Phospho (mg/L)	rus	Total Nitro (mg/L)	gen	Ammon (mg/L)	pH (pH uni	ts)	Density (g/mL)	
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OD 93-01 Permit Limits	114,180		63,400		185,150	11,810	 940		7,560		690	 5.9 to 6	.3	0.98 to 1.0	6

NOTE: An asterisk (*) next to the waste concentration signifies that a violation of the permit limit has occurred.

Data Form for 6-Month Report on Waste Stream Analyses for StarKist Samoa MPRSA § 102 Permit #OD 93-01

Reporting Period: From	19	To	19	

StarKist Samoa - Press Liquor

Month & Year	Total Solids (mg/L)	Total Volatii Solids (mg/L)	le	5-Day Biologic Oxygen Demai (mg/L)	Oil and Gre	ase	Total Phosphor (mg/L)	rus	Total Nitro (mg/L)	gen	Ammon (mg/L)	pH (pH unit	s)	Densi (g/mI	
OD 93-01 Permit Limits	327,870	292,280		310,790	112,080		3,160		20,360		1,390	5.8 to 6	.5	0.99 to 1	.08

NOTE: An asterisk (*) next to the waste concentration signifies that a violation of the permit limit has occurred.

StarKist Samoa - Summary of Monthly Volumes of Fish Processing Waste Disposed at the Ocean Site and the Amount of Aluminum Sulfate and Coagulant Polymer Added to the Waste Streams.

Sonth & Year	DAF Sludge (gallons/month)	Cooker Water (gallons/month)	Press Liquor (gallons/month)	Total Fish Processing Waste (gallons/month)	Aluminum sulfate (pounds/month)	Coagulant polyme (pounds/month)
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6-Month Totals						



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MAY 06 1993

SUBJECT: Confirmation of Waste Stream Data

Dear Mr. Wei:

On April 30,1 1993 EPA Region IX requested confirmation on several data points reported by StarKist Samoa for their Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) § 102, #OD 90-01. After further evaluation of StarKist's data, EPA Region IX requests confirmation of the following additional data points:

1. Cooker Juice

- a. December 1991, Total Volatile Solids 56,000 (typographic error suspected)
- b. January 1992, Total Volatile Solids 56,000 (typographic error suspected)
- c. April 1992, Total Nitrogen 5,900 (typographic error suspected)
- d. May 1992, Total Nitrogen 5,900 (typographic error suspected)

2. Press Liquor

- a. April 1992, Total Phosphorus 1,600 (typographic error suspected)
- b. May 1992, Total Phosphorus 1,600 (typographic error suspected)

EPA Region IX cannot complete its review of StarKist Samoa's permit request without confirmation of these data points. If you have any questions on our request, please contact me at (415) 744-1163.

Sincerely,

Patrick Cotter

Marine Permits and Site Manager

Marine Protection Section (W-7-1)

cc: Patricia Young, EPA Region IX, E-4



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APR 3 0 1993

SUBJECT: Confirmation of Waste Stream Data

Dear Mr. Wei:

EPA Region IX is reviewing data reported by StarKist Samoa for their Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) § 102, #OD 90-01. These data will be used to recalculate permit limits based on at least 30 months of waste stream analyses. Some data were questionable compared to the average for a particular waste stream, and several pairs of data points may be typographic errors. We request that you confirm the values reported for the following data points:

1. DAF Sludge

- a. August 1990, Total Nitrogen 21,000 mg/L (high value)
- b. September 1990, Ammonia 5,485 mg/L (high value)
- c. October 1990, Ammonia 3,200 mg/L (high value)
- d. February 1992, Total Solids 14,751 (typographic error suspected)
- e. March 1992, Total Solids 14,751 (typographic error suspected)

2. Cooker Water

- a. August 1990, Ammonia 3,865 mg/L (high value)
- b. September 1990, Ammonia 1,695 mg/L (high value)
- c. October 1990, Ammonia 3,850 mg/L (high value)
- d. March 1991, Total Solids 55,000 mg/L (typographic error suspected)
- e. April 1991, Total Solids 55,000 mg/L (typographic error suspected)
- f. August 1991, Total Volatile Solids 51,000 (typographic error suspected)
- g. September 1991, Total Volatile Solids 51,000 (typographic error suspected)
- h. October 1991, Total Solids 129,000 (high value)
- i. October 1991, Total Volatile Solids 102,000 (high value)
- j. February 1992, BOD 39,837 mg/L (typographic error suspected)
- k. March 1992, BOD 39,837 mg/L (typographic error suspected)
- 1. June 1992, Oil and Grease 93 mg/L (low value)
- m. November 1992, Total Nitrogen 9,500 (high value)
- n. January 1993, Total Solids 131,000 mg/L (high value)
- o. January 1993, Oil and Grease 23,000 mg/L (high value)
- p. January 1993, Total Volatile Solids 103,000 mg/L (high value)

3. Press Liquor

- a. August 1990, Ammonia 9,300 mg/L (high value)
- b. February 1992, BOD 131,039 mg/L (typographic error suspected)
- c. March 1992, BOD 131,039 mg/L (typographic error suspected)

EPA Region IX cannot complete its review of StarKist Samoa's permit request without confirmation of these data points. If you have any questions on our request, please contact me at (415) 744-1163.

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Sincerely,

Patrick Cotter

Marine Permits and Site Manager Marine Protection Section (W-7-1)

cc: Patricia Young, EPA Region IX, E-4

Norman S. Wei, Senior Manager Environmental Engineering StarKist Seafood Company 180 East Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, California 90802-4797

SUBJECT: Confirmation of Waste Stream Data

Dear Mr. Wei:

EPA Region IX is reviewing data reported by StarKist Samoa for their Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) § 102, #OD 90-01. These data will be used to recalculate permit limits based on at least 30 months of waste stream analyses. Some data were questionable compared to the average for a particular waste stream, and several pairs of data points may be typographic errors. We request that you confirm the values reported for the following data points:

1. DAF Sludge

- a. August 1990, Total Nitrogen 21,000 mg/L (high value)
- b. September 1990, Ammonia 5,485 mg/L (high value)
- c. October 1990, Ammonia 3,200 mg/L (high value)
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PROPOSED ACTION U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) REGION IX 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, California 94105-3901

Applications for Permits to Transport and Dump Materials into Ocean Waters
Public Notice for Ocean Dumping Permit Numbers OD 93-01 and OD 93-02

Pursuant to Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) of 1972, as amended 133 U.S.C. § 1401 et seq.) and 40 C.F.R. § 222.3 of EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations (42 Fed., Reg. 2462, Jan. 11, 1977), notice is hereby given by this office of complete applications for permits to transport and dispose fish processing wastes into ocean waters of Tutuila Island, American Samoa. The permit applicants are: STARKIST SEAFOOD COMPANY, INC. (an affiliate of H.J. HEINZ COMPANY), 180 East Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802-4797 and VAN CAMP SEAFOOD COMPANY, INC., 4510 Executive Dr., Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92121-3029, for their respective subsidiary companies: STARKIST SAMOA, INC., P.O. Box 368, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799 and VCS SAMOA PACKING COMPANY, INC., P.O. Box 957, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799.

EPA has made a tentative decision to issue special ocean dumping permits to StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company for a three-year period. The Agency has determined that these permits are required for ocean disposal of fish processing wastes produced at canneries in Pago Pago, American Samoa. The fish processing wastes to be disposed from StarKist Samoa are: dissolved air flotation (DAF) sludge, cooker juice and press liquor. The fish processing wastes to be disposed from VCS Samoa Packing are: DAF sludge, precooker water and press water. Based on dilution levels expected at the designated ocean disposal site, the fish processing wastes are not expected to cause significant long-term impacts to oceanic water quality, marine ecosystems or human health.

The fish processing wastes will be disposed at an ocean disposal site 5.45 nautical miles southeast of Tutuila Island. The ocean disposal site has center coordinates of 14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude and a radius of 1.5 nautical miles. The water depth at the disposal site is about 9,000 feet. This site was designated for use on February 6, 1990 (55 Fed. Reg. 3948) and was used by the two American Samoa canneries for disposal of fish processing wastes under MPRSÁ § 102 special permits OD 90-01 (StarKist Samoa) and OD 90-02 (VCS Samoa Packing Company) for three years. No significant long-term environmental impacts were found at the site during the monitoring activities.

During the term of special permits OD 93-01 and OD 93-02, the permittees must continue monitoring programs for fish processing waste streams, disposal vessel navigation and monthly ocean disposal site monitoring. Information compiled during the term of these permits and any previous information about ocean disposal of fish processing wastes off American Samoa will be sued by EPA Region IX to determine compliance with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations defined at 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228 and the Special MPRSA § 102 permits.

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INITIATION OF HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Within 30 days of the date of this notice, any person may request a public hearing to consider the issuance of, or the conditions to be imposed upon, these permits. Any such request for a public hearing must: 1) be in writing, 2) identify the person requesting the hearing, 3) state any objections to the issuance of, or to the conditions to be imposed upon, these permits, and 4) state the issues which are proposed to be considered at the hearing. Under 40 C.F.R. \$.222.4, the Regional Administrator's determination on whether to hold a public hearing shall be based on whether the request presents genuine issues of policy or facts amenable to resolution by public hearing.

within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: Ms Janet Y. Hashimoto, Chief, Marine Protection. Section (W-7-1), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IV, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901, telephone (415) 744-1156.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PROPOSED ACTION U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) REGION IX 75 HAWTHORNE STREET

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94105-3901

Applications for Permits to Transport and Dump Materials Into Ocean Waters

Public Notice for Ocean Dumping Permit Numbers OD 93-01 and OD 93-02

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FROM: Pat Young, American Samoa Program Manager

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Phone: (415) 744-1594

As we discused today, our original advertising order cost is being revised from \$120 to \$250 for a one-time publication of the public notice faxed to you on June 2. The original cost of \$120 was a misunderstanding on my part as to what constituted a prepaid order. As I understand it now, an advertisement order is not a prepaid order and is thus subject to the \$250 minimum charge.

Please revise our advertising order to reflect this increased amount. As we discussed, the public notice will be printed in tomorrow's paper, June 8, 1993. Thank you. If you have any questions, call or fax me at the above numbers.

cc: Pat Cotter, USEPA



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION IX

75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

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Editor

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Attn: Legal Advertisement

RE: Printing of the Public Notice for an Ocean Dumping Permit

Dear Editor:

Enclosed is an advertisement order for \$3,100, as quoted over the telephone by Linda Edwards on May 26, 1993, and a copy of a public notice for announcing applications for special ocean dumping permits by StarKist Samoa, Inc. and VCS Samoa Packing Company, and a tentative determination by the U.S. Environmental Protection, Region IX to issue the permits. Please schedule the enclosed public notice to appear in the Classified Advertisement, Legal Notice Section, of your newspaper as soon as possible for one time only. Please use the minium amount of space necessary to produce a legible legal advertisement.

Upon issuance of the public notice in your newspaper, please provide our office with two affidavits or proofs of publication. The two affidavits and a copy of the advertising order should be sent to:

> Janet Hashimoto, Chief Marine Protection Section (W-7-1) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, California 94105-3901

If you have any questions on in this matter please call me at (415) 744-1156, or you may call Patricia Young at (415) 744-1594.

Sincerely,

Thank Station !

Janet Hashimoto, Chief

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MARINE PROTECTION, RESEARCH AND SANCTUARIES ACT § 102 OCEAN DUMPING PERMIT

PERMIT NUMBER AND TYPE: OD 93-01 Special

EFFECTIVE DATE:

July 31, 1993

EXPIRATION DATE:

July 31, 1996

PERMITTEE:

StarKist Samoa, Inc.

P.O. Box 368

Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799

WASTE GENERATOR:

StarKist Samoa, Inc.

P.O. Box 368

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PORT OF DEPARTURE:

Pago Pago Harbor, American Samoa

WASTE TRANSPORTER:

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Blue North Fisheries, Inc. 1130 N.W. 45th Street

Seattle, Washington 98107-4626

A special ocean dumping permit is being issued to StarKist Samoa, Inc. because the Regional Administrator of EPA Region IX has determined that disposal of fish processing wastes off American Samoa meets EPA's ocean dumping criteria at 40 C.F.R. Parts 227 and 228. For this permit, the term "fish processing wastes" shall mean either dissolved air flotation (DAF) sludge, cooker juice or press liquor generated at the permittee's plant in Pago Pago, American Samoa.

This special permit authorizes the transportation and dumping into ocean waters of fish processing wastes as described in the special conditions section pursuant to the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) of 1972 (33 U.S.C. § 1401 et seq.) as amended (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"); regulations issued thereunder; and the terms and conditions stated below.

This MPRSA Special Permit does not contain any information collection requirements subject to Office of Management and Budget review under the Paper Work Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. § 3501 *et seq.*). This determination has been made because the permit does not require data collection by more than 10 persons.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1. Operation under this special ocean dumping permit shall conform to all applicable federal statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Act, the Ocean Dumping Ban Act of 1988 (P.L. 100-688), the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act of 1987 (P.L. 100-220), the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.), and the Ports and Waterways Safety Act (33 U.S.C. § 1221 et seq.).
- 1.2. All transportation and dumping authorized herein shall be undertaken in a manner consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. StarKist Samoa, Inc. (hereafter referred to as "the permittee") shall be liable for compliance with all such terms and conditions. The permittee shall be held liable under § 105 of the Act (33 U.S.C. § 1415) if any permit violations occur. During disposal operations when the permittee's fish processing wastes are combined with similar fish processing wastes from other permittees authorized to use the ocean disposal site defined in Special Condition 2.2, all companies shall be held individually liable under § 105 of the Act (33 U.S.C. § 1415) if a permit violation occurs.
- 1.3. Under § 105 of the Act, any person who violates any provision of the Act, 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228 promulgated thereunder, or any term or condition of this permit shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than \$50,000 per day for each violation. Additionally, any knowing violation of the Act, 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228, or the permit may result in a criminal action being brought with penalties of not more than \$50,000 or one year in prison, or both. Violations of the Act or the terms and conditions of this permit include but are not limited to:
 - 1.3.1. Transportation to, and dumping at any location other than that defined in Special Condition 2.2 of this permit;
 - 1.3.2. Transportation and dumping of any material not identified in this permit, more frequently than authorized in this permit, or more than the quantities identified in this permit, unless specifically authorized by a written modification hereto;
 - 1.3.3. Failure to conduct permit monitoring as required in Special Conditions 3.1, 3.3.1, 4.7 and 5.1; or
 - 1.3.4. Failure to file fish processing waste stream reports and disposal site monitoring reports as required in Special Conditions 3.3, 4.7, 5.2 and 5.3.
- 1.4. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize, in any way, the transportation from the United States for the purpose of dumping into the ocean waters, the territorial sea, or the contiguous zone, the following materials:
 - 1.4.1. High-level radioactive wastes;
 - 1.4.2. Materials, in whatever form, produced for radiological, chemical, or biological warfare;

- 1.4.3. Persistent synthetic or natural materials which may float or remain in suspension in the ocean; or
- 1.4.4. Medical wastes as defined in § 3(k) of the Act.
- 1.4.5. Flotables, garbage, domestic trash, waste chemicals, solid waste, or any materials prohibited by the Ocean Dumping Ban Act or the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act.
- 1.5. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize, in any way, violation of applicable American Samoa Water Quality Standards. The following water quality standards apply:

Table 1. 1989 American Samoa Water Quality Standards: Oceanic Waters [§24.0207(g)(1-7)].

Parameter	Median Not to Exceed the Given Value
Turbidity	0.20 NTU
Total Phosphorus	11.0 μg-P/L
Total Nitrogen	115.0 μg-N/L
Chlorophyll a	0.18 μg/L
Light Penetration Depth	150 feet, to exceed the given value 50% of the time.
Dissolved Oxygen	Not less than 80% of saturation or less than 5.5 mg/L. If the natural level of dissolved oxygen is less than 5.5 mg/L, then the natural dissolved oxygen level shall become the standard.
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- 1.6. After notice and opportunity for a hearing, this permit may be revised, revoked or limited, in whole or in part, subject only to the provisions of 40 C.F.R. §§ 222.3(b) through 222.3(h) and 40 C.F.R. § 223.2, as a result of a determination by the Regional Administrator of EPA that:
 - 1.6.1. The cumulative impact of the permittee's dumping activities or the aggregate impact of all dumping activities in the dump site designated in Special Condition 2.2 should be categorized as Impact Category I, as defined in 40 C.F.R. § 228.10(c)(1);

- 1.6.2. There has been a change in circumstances about the management of the disposal site designated in Special Condition 2.2;
- 1.6.3. The dumping authorized by the permit would violate applicable American Samoa Water Quality Standards;
- 1.6.4. The dumping authorized can no longer be carried out consistent with the criteria defined at 40 C.F.R. Parts 227 and 228;
- 1.6.5. The permittee violated any term or condition of the permit;
- 1.6.6. The permittee misrepresented, or did not disclose all relevant facts in the permit application accurately; or
- 1.6.7. The permittee did not keep records, engage in monitoring and reporting activities, or to notify appropriate officials in a timely manner of the transportation and dumping activities as specified in any condition of this permit.
- 1.7. The permittee shall ensure always that facilities, including any vessels associated with the permit, are in good working order to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. During all transportation and loading operations, there shall not be a loss of fish processing wastes to any waterway or during transport to the disposal site.
- 1.8. Any change in the designated fish processing waste transporter may be made at the discretion of the Regional Administrator or his delegate. A written request for such a transfer shall be made by the permittee at least thirty (30) days before the requested transfer date. Written approval by the EPA Regional Administrator must be obtained before such a transfer occurs.
- 1.9. The permittee shall allow the EPA Regional Administrator, the Commander of the Fourteenth U.S. Coast Guard District (USCG), the Director of the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency (ASEPA), and/or their authorized representatives to:
 - 1.9.1. Enter into, upon, or through the permittee's premises, vessels, or other premises or vessels under the control of the permittee, where, or in which, a source of material to be dumped is located or in which any records are required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit or the Act;
 - 1.9.2. Have access to and copy any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit or the Act;
 - 1.9.3. Inspect any dumping equipment, navigational system equipment, monitoring equipment or monitoring methods required in this permit;

- 1.9.4. Sample or require that a sample be drawn, under EPA, USCG, or ASEPA supervision, of any materials discharged or to be discharged; or
- 1.9.5. Inspect laboratory facilities, data, and quality control records required for compliance with any condition of this permit.
- 1.10. Material which is regulated by this permit may be disposed of, due to an emergency, to safeguard life at sea in locations or in a manner that does not comply with the terms of this permit. If this occurs, the permittee shall make a full report, according to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 1001, within 15 days to the EPA Regional Administrator, the USCG and the ASEPA describing the conditions of this emergency and the actions taken, including the location, the nature and the amount of material disposed.
- 1.11. The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of rights, nor any infringement of Federal, State or local laws or regulations, nor does it obviate the necessity of obtaining State or local assent required by applicable law for the activity authorized.
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- 1.13. Unless otherwise provided for herein, all terms used in this permit shall have the meanings assigned to them by the Act or 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228, issued thereunder.

2. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - DISPOSAL SITE AND FISH PROCESSING WASTE CHARACTERIZATION

Special conditions are necessary to define the length of the permit period, identify the disposal site location, describe fish processing wastes and define maximum permitted limits for each fish processing waste.

2.1. Location of the Waste Generator and Duration of the Permit

- 2.1.1. The material to be dumped shall consist of fish processing wastes, defined in Special Conditions 2.3 and 2.4, generated at the permittee's fish cannery in Pago Pago, American Samoa.
- 2.1.2. This permit shall become effective on July 31, 1993 and it shall expire three years from the effective data at midnight on July 31, 1996.

2.2. Location of Disposal Site

Disposal of fish processing wastes generated at the location defined in Special Condition 2.1.1 shall be confined to a circular area with a 1.5 nautical mile radius, centered at 14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.30' West longitude.

2.3. Description of Fish Processing Wastes

2.3.1. During the term of this permit, and according to all other terms and conditions of this permit, the permittee is authorized to transport for disposal into ocean waters quantities of fish processing wastes that shall not exceed the following amounts:

Table 2. Volumes of Fish Processing Wastes Authorized for Disposal.

Fish Processing Waste	Maximum Volume Authorized for Disposal (gallons/day)
Dissolved Air Flotation (DAF) Sludge	60,000
Cooker Juice	100,000
Press Liquor	40,000
Maximum Daily Volume	200,000

2.4. Fish Processing Waste Limits

Table 3. Limits for DAF Sludge, Cooker Juice and Press Liquor.

Physical or Chemical Parameter (units) ^a	DAF Sludge ^b	Cooker Juice ^b	Press Liquor ^b
Total Solids (mg/L)	163,430	114,180	327,870
Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	136,180	63,400	292,280
5-Day BOD (mg/L)	232,320	185,150	310,790
Oil and Grease (mg/L)	64,100	11,810	112,080
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	1,640	940	3,160
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	7,020	7,560	20,360
Ammonia (mg/L)	1,830	690	1,390
pH (pH units)	5.3 to 6.5	5.9 to 6.3	5.8 to 6.5
Density (g/mL)	0.97 to 1.06	0.98 to 1.06	0.99 to 1.08

a = All calculated values were rounded to the nearest 10, except the density range.

- 2.4.2. Permitted Maximum Concentrations for each type of fish processing waste were calculated based on an analysis of historical data from the permittee's previous Special Ocean Dumping Permit, number OD 90-01. The calculations followed EPA's recommended procedure for determining permit limits as defined in the EPA document titled: "Guidance Document for Ocean Dumping Permit Writers" (January 30, 1988). EPA will periodically review these limits during the permit to evaluate the accuracy of the limits. If revisions are necessary, EPA will make changes according to the authority defined in the Ocean Dumping Regulations at 40 C.F.R §§ 223.2 through 223.5.
- 2.4.3. The Permitted Maximum Concentrations, density range and pH range listed above, shall not be exceeded at any time during the term of this permit.

3. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - ANALYSIS OF FISH PROCESSING WASTES

Compliance with the permitted maximum concentrations defined in Special Condition 2.4 shall be determined by monthly monitoring of each of the fish processing waste stream permitted for ocean disposal. Additional analyses of fish processing wastes and reporting requirements are defined in this section. Any sampling dates shall be scheduled within the first two weeks of the month to allow enough time for laboratory analyses and report writing to comply with Special Condition 3.3.

3.1. Analyses of Fish Processing Wastes

3.1.1. Concentrations or values of the parameters listed in Special Condition 2.4 and those listed in the table below shall be determined for each fish processing waste stream. A sample of each fish processing waste stream shall be taken before the individual streams are mixed before being pumped into the disposal vessel. A sample shall consist of three replicate samples, taken on the day that sampling is scheduled, pooled for use as a composite sample. The detection limits specified in Table 4 shall be used in all fish processing waste stream analyses.

Table 4. Physical and Chemical Parameters to be Analyzed from Individual Samples of DAF Sludge, Cooker Juice and Press Liquor.

Parameter	Method Detection Limit
Total Solids	10.0 mg/L
Total Volatile Solids	10.0 mg/L
5-Day BOD	10.0 mg/L
Oil and Grease	10.0 mg/L
Total Phosphorus	1.0 mg/L

Parameter	Method Detection Limit
Total Nitrogen	1.0 mg/L
Ammonia	1.0 mg/L
pН	0.1 pH units
Density	0.01 g/mL

- 3.1.2. All sampling procedures, analytical protocols, and quality control/quality assurance procedures shall be performed according to guidelines specified by EPA Region IX. The following references shall be used by the permittee:
 - 3.1.2.1. 40 C.F.R. Part 136, EPA Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants Under the Clean Water Act;
 - 3.1.2.2. Tetra Tech, Incorporated. 1985. Summary of U.S. EPA-approved Methods, Standard Methods and Other Guidance for 301(h) Monitoring Variables. Final program document prepared for the Marine Operations Division, Office of Marine and Estuarine Protection, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. EPA Contract No. 68-01-693. Tetra Tech, Incorporated, Bellevue, Wa.; and
 - 3.1.2.3. Environmental Protection Agency. 1987. Quality Assurance and Quality Control for 301(h) Monitoring Programs: Guidance on Field and Laboratory Methods. Office of Marine and Estuarine Protection, Washington, D.C. EPA 430/9-86-004.
- 3.1.3. Any parameters listed in Special Condition 3.1.1 that are shown to be consistently undetected, may be eliminated from further analytical tests. Before elimination of the parameter is permitted, the permittee shall obtain written approval from EPA Region IX and the ASEPA.

3.2. Analytical Laboratory

- 3.2.1. Within 30 days of the effective date of this permit, the name and address of the contract laboratory or laboratories and a description of all analytical test procedures and quality assurance/quality control procedures, including detection limits being used, shall be provided for EPA Region IX approval.
- 3.2.2. Any potential variation or change in the designated laboratory or analytical procedures shall be reported, in writing, for EPA Region IX approval.

- 3.2.3. EPA Region IX may require analyses of quality control samples by any laboratories employed to comply with Special Condition 3.1 and Appendix A. Upon request, the permittee shall provide EPA Region IX with the analytical results from such samples.
- 3.2.4. A complete analysis of parameters, required in Special Condition 3.1, shall be made by the permittee and reported to EPA Region IX and the ASEPA whenever there is a change in the quality of the fish processing waste, process configuration, or fish processing waste treatment. If required by EPA Region IX, bioassays shall be required in addition to parameter analyses.

3.3. Reporting

- 3.3.1. The permittee shall provide EPA Region IX, ASEPA, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council (WPRFMC) with a report, prepared every 6 months during the permit period, that contains the following information:
 - 3.3.1.1. Daily volumes of DAF sludge, Cooker Juice and Press Liquor removed from the permittee's facility, and loaded into the disposal vessel reported in gallons per day using Form 1 (see Appendix B);
 - 3.3.1.2. Monthly fish processing waste stream analyses demonstrating that the fish processing wastes being dumped comply with the permitted limits of parameters listed in Special Condition 2.4 and a summary of the volumes of fish processing wastes disposed at the ocean site using Form 2 (see Appendix B);
 - 3.3.1.3. The monthly amount of alum (aluminum sulfate) and coagulant polymer added to the fish processing waste streams reported in pounds per month (see Forms 1 and 2).
- 3.3.2. Such reports, including a comparison with the permit limits as required on Forms 1 and 2, shall be submitted to EPA Region IX, ASEPA, NMFS USFWS and WPRFMC within 45 days of the end of the preceding 6-month period for which they were prepared. The reports shall be submitted within this time unless extenuating circumstances are communicated to EPA Region IX and the ASEPA in writing. In addition to a hard copy of Forms 1 and 2, the data contained on Form 1 shall be submitted to EPA Region IX on a 3.5" computer diskette in a format compatible with LOTUS version 2.2.
- 3.3.3. A summary report of all 6-month reports listed in Special Condition 3.3.1, including a comparisons with permit limits and a detailed discussion of the summary results, shall be submitted by the permittee to EPA and the ASEPA

45 days after the permit expires. All fish processing waste stream data shall be reported in the same format as required in Special Condition 3.3.2.

- 3.3.4. Upon detection of a violation of any permit condition, the permittee shall send a written notification of this violation to EPA Region IX and the ASEPA within five working days and a detailed written report of the violation shall be sent to the agencies within 15 working days. This notification shall pertain to any permit limits (defined in Special Condition 2.4) that are exceeded, violation of volume limits (defined in Table 2 under Special Condition 2.3.1), and any disposal operation that occurs outside the disposal site defined in Special Condition 2.2.
- 3.3.5. One year from the effective date of this special permit, the permittee shall submit a report to EPA and ASEPA on the results of suspended phase bioassay tests and reevaluation of the model used to predict the concentrations of fish processing wastes disposed at the designated site. The suspended phase bioassays shall be conducted using at least one species from each of the following three groups: Group 1 = Mytilus sp. (mussel), Crassostrea sp. (oyster), Acartia tonsa (copepod), or Trypneustes sp. (sea urchin) larvae; Group 2 = Holmsemysis costata (mysid shrimp) or Penaeus vannamei (white shrimp); and Group 3 = Citharicthys stigmaeus (speckled sanddab) or Coryphaena hippurus (dolphinfish) juveniles.

Appropriate suspended phase bioassay protocols, either protocols approved by EPA or protocols published by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), shall be followed. Suspended particulate phase bioassays shall be run using the following fish processing waste concentrations: 100%, 75%, 50%, 25%, 12.5% and a control (0%). A minimum of five replicates are required per dilution concentration. Concurrent reference toxicant tests shall be conducted when the suspended phase bioassays are run.

A sampling and testing plan shall be submitted to EPA Region IX and ASEPA for approval before the bioassay tests are conducted. The testing plan should also include a proposal to reevaluate the disposal site model using results obtained from the new series of suspended phase bioassays. These bioassays are being required to confirm the toxicity of the fish processing wastes and to reevaluate the disposal operations based on the use of different disposal vessels.

The bioassay and model confirmation report shall contain the following information:

3.3.5.1. INTRODUCTION AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project description should include the following information about fish processing waste toxicity, previous bioassay test results, previous modelling at the ocean disposal site, and the design of the new bioassay tests.

3.3.5.2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

Fish processing waste sampling and sample handling procedures should be described or referenced.

References for laboratory protocols for suspended phase bioassay tests.

- 1) EPA-approved methods and references.
- Test species used in each test, the supplier or collection site for each test species, and QA/QC procedures for maintaining the test species.
- 3) Source of seawater used in reference, control and bioassay tests.
- 4) Data and statistical analysis procedures.
- 5) Limiting Permissible Concentration (LPC) calculations.
- 6) Description of model selected to evaluate dispersal of fish processing wastes at the ocean disposal site. Use of this model shall be approved by EPA Region IX and ASEPA before it is used by the permittee to evaluate the fish processing waste disposal plume.

3.3.5.3. DESCRIPTION OF SAMPLING PROCEDURES

QA/QC procedures and actual sampling procedures used during fish processing waste stream sampling and handling of the samples.

3.3.5.4. FINAL RESULTS, ANALYSIS OF DATA AND DISCUSSION

- 1) Complete bioassay data tables and summary bioassay tables shall be furnished in the report. All data tables should be typed or produced as a computer printout.
- 2) The permittee shall analyze the bioassay data and calculate the LPC of the material as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 227.27(a-b).
- The permittee shall use the LPC in the approved plume model to determine the concentration of fish processing wastes disposed at the designated ocean disposal site which complies with EPA's Ocean Dumping Criteria defined at 40 C.F.R. Parts 227 and 228.

3.3.5.5. REFERENCES

This list should include all references used in the field sampling program, laboratory protocols, LPC calculations, modelling analyses, and historical data

used to evaluate the fish processing waste disposal operations at the designated ocean disposal site.

3.3.5.6. DETAILED QA/QC PLANS AND INFORMATION

The following topics should be addressed in the QA Plan:

- 1) QA objectives.
- 2) Organization, responsibilities and personnel qualifications, internal quality control checks.
- 3) Sampling and analytical procedures.
- 4) Equipment calibration and maintenance.
- 5) Sample custody and tracking.
- 6) documentation, data reduction, and reporting.
- 7) Data validation.
- 8) Performance and systems audits.
- 9) Corrective action.
- 10) Reports.

4. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - VESSEL OPERATIONS

Specifications for vessel operations are defined to limit dumping activities to the dump site identified in Special Condition 2.2 and to record all dumping activities. Fish processing wastes from the permittee's waste streams and fish processing wastes of other authorized permittees may be loaded into the disposal vessel together. If the waste transported to the disposal site is a combination of materials from the two plants, each permittee shall be liable for all permit conditions regarding disposal of the fish processing wastes. If the fish processing wastes disposed at the site are only generated at the StarKist Samoa plant, then StarKist Samoa shall be solely liable for all permit conditions pertaining to the disposal operation.

4.1. Posting of the Permit

This permit, or a true copy thereof, shall be placed in a conspicuous place on any vessel which is used for the transportation and dumping authorized by this permit. If the dumping vessel is an unmanned barge, the permit or true copy of the permit shall be transferred to the towing vessel.

4.2. Vessel Identification

Every vessel engaged in the transportation of wastes for ocean disposal shall have its name and number painted in letters and numbers at least fourteen (14) inches high on both sides of the vessel. The name and number shall be kept distinctly legible always, and a vessel without such markings shall not be used to transport or dump waste material.

4.3. Determination of the Disposal Location Within the Dump Site

On each disposal trip, the master of the disposal vessel shall determine the location of the disposal operation as follows:

- 4.3.1. The disposal vessel, as defined under WASTE TRANSPORTER on page 1 of this permit, shall proceed directly to the center of the disposal site at the location specified in Special Condition 2.2.
- 4.3.2. The master of the vessel shall observe the conditions at the dump site center, noting the vessel's position (latitude and longitude), wind direction and observed surface current direction.
- 4.3.3. After the conditions defined in Special Condition 4.3.2 have been recorded, the master of the disposal vessel shall proceed 1.1 nautical miles up current from the center of the disposal site and record the position of the disposal vessel (latitude and longitude). This position shall be the starting point for disposal operations for each disposal trip.
- 4.3.4. The master of the disposal vessel shall prepare a computerized navigational plot of the procedures defined in Special Conditions 4.3.1 to 4.3.4 and supply these to the permittee. The permittee shall submit these computerized navigational plots with the 6-month reports required under Special Condition 3.3.1. The navigational plot shall include:
 - 4.3.4.1. The disposal vessel's course during the entire dumping operation; and
 - 4.3.4.2. The times and location of entry and exit from the disposal site, position and time of arrival at the center of the disposal site, position and time of arrival at the location 1.1 nautical miles up current from the disposal site, beginning and ending of dumping operations, and disposal vessel position plotted every 15 minutes while dumping.
- 4.3.5. The master of the disposal vessel shall sign and date each computerized navigational plot.

- 4.3.6. The master of the disposal vessel shall certify that disposal occurred in the manner required by the permit.
- 4.3.7. The procedures listed in Special Conditions 4.3.1 through 4.3.6 shall be repeated for each disposal trip.

4.4. Disposal Rate and Vessel Speed

- 4.4.1. The disposal vessel/barge shall discharge the material authorized by this permit beginning at the disposal location as determined by Special Condition 4.3.3. The vessel track shall be in a direction that is perpendicular to the current detected at the center of the disposal site as defined in Special Condition 2.2. Disposal shall occur in a oval shape along an axis at least 0.5 nautical miles on either side of the starting point determined in Special Condition 4.3.3. The entire disposal vessel track shall be within the disposal site boundaries.
 - 4.4.1.1. From June 1 through November 30, the disposal operation at the location plotted in Special Condition 4.3.3. shall be conducted at a rate of 140 gallons per minute per knot, not to exceed 1,400 gallons per minute at a maximum speed of 10 knots.
 - 4.4.1.2. From December 1 through May 31, the disposal operation at the location plotted in Special Condition 4.3.3. shall be conducted at a rate of 120 gallons per minute per knot, not to exceed 1,200 gallons per minute at a maximum speed of 10 knots.

4.5. Computerized Navigational System

The permittee shall use an onboard computerized electronic positioning system to fix the position of the disposal vessel accurately during all dumping operations. The computerized navigational system must be approved by EPA Region IX and the USCG Liaison Office (CGLO) Pago Pago. The permittee shall submit the description, specifications and example plots for the computerized navigational system at least 15 working days before the effective date of the permit. Disposal operations shall not begin until EPA Region IX and CGLO Pago Pago provide the permittee with written approval for the computerized navigation system.

4.6. Permitted Times for Disposal Operations

Dumping operations shall be restricted to daylight hours, unless an emergency exists as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 220.1(c)(4). ASEPA and CGLO Pago Pago shall be notified immediately if an emergency exists and ocean disposal is required to protect human life at sea. No later than 5 working days after the emergency, the permittee and the waste transporter shall provide EPA Region IX, ASEPA and CGLO Pago Pago with a detailed written report on the emergency situation.

4.7. Reporting of the Ocean Dumping Vessel Operations

- 4.7.1. The waste transporter shall maintain and the permittee shall submit copies of a daily transportation and dumping log, including plots of all information requested in Special Conditions 4.3 and 4.7.2. Copies of the daily logs shall be sent to EPA Region IX, CGLO Pago Pago, and the ASEPA as part of the 6-month report.
- 4.7.2. The logbook shall contain the following information for each waste disposal trip:
 - 4.7.2.1. Permit number, date and consecutive trip number;
 - 4.7.2.2. Record of contact with ASEPA and CGLO before each trip to the ocean disposal site.
 - 4.7.2.3. The time when loading of the vessel commences and ceases in Pago Pago Harbor;
 - 4.7.2.4. The volume of each waste loaded into the disposal vessel from each fish cannery;
 - 4.7.2.5. The time and navigational position that dumping commences and ceases;
 - 4.7.2.6. A record of vessel speed and direction every 15 minutes during each dumping operation at the disposal site, and a computerized plot of the vessel's course defined in Special Condition 4.3;
 - 4.7.2.7. Discharge rate from the disposal vessel.
 - 4.7.2.8. Observe, note and plot the time and position of any floatable material;
 - 4.7.2.9. Observe, note and plot the wind speed and direction every 30 minutes while dumping wastes at the designated disposal site;
 - 4.7.2.10. Observe and note current direction at the beginning and end of the disposal trip, and the direction of the waste plume at the end of the disposal operation;
 - 4.7.2.11. Observe, note and plot the presence of the previous disposal plume and any unusual occurrences during the disposal trip, or any other information relevant to the assessment of environmental impacts as a result of dumping activities; and

4.7.2.12. Any unusual occurrences noted under Special Condition 4.7.2.9 shall be highlighted in the report defined in Special Condition 3.3.1.

5. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - DUMP SITE MONITORING

The monitoring program for disposal of wastes in the ocean must document effects of disposed wastes on the receiving waters, biota, and beneficial uses of the receiving waters; compliance with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations; and determine compliance with permit terms and conditions. Revisions to the monitoring program may be made under the direction of EPA Region IX at any time during the permit term, in compliance with 40 C.F.R. §§ 223.2 and 223.3. This may include a change in the number of parameters to be monitored, the frequency of monitoring, the location of sample stations, or the number and size of samples to be collected.

Implementation of the disposal site monitoring program and all segments of the monitoring program specified in Special Condition 5 and Appendix A shall be the responsibility of the permittee.

5.1. Monitoring Program

The permittee shall conduct the monitoring program, defined in Appendix A, to determine the environmental impacts of ocean dumping of fish processing waste. If possible, monitoring cruises shall be scheduled within the first two weeks of each month to allow enough time for laboratory analysis and report writing in compliance with Special Condition 5.2. The permittee shall notify the ASEPA at least 48 hours before any scheduled monitoring activities.

5.2. Monitoring Reports

Monthly site monitoring reports shall be submitted to EPA Region IX, the ASEPA, NMFS, USFWS and WPRFMC with the 6-month reports as specified in Special Condition 3.3.2. The reports shall include: neatly compiled raw data for all sample analyses, quality assurance/quality control data, statistical analysis of sample variability between stations and within samples for each parameter, and a detailed discussion of the results.

5.3. Final Summary Report

5.3.1. A report shall be submitted to EPA Region IX, ASEPA, NMFS, USFWS and WPRFMC 60 days after the permit expires. This report shall summarize all of the data collected during the waste material and dump site monitoring programs specified in this special permit.

- 5.3.2. At a minimum, the summary report shall contain the following sections:
 - 5.3.2.1. Introduction (including a summary of previous ocean disposal activities),
 - 5.3.2.2. Location of Sampling Sites,
 - 5.3.2.3. Materials and Methods,
 - 5.3.2.4. Results and Discussion (including comparisons and contrasts with previous MPRSA § 102 research and special permit data related to disposal of fish processing wastes off American Samoa),
 - 5.3.2.5. Conclusions; and
 - 5.3.2.6. References.

5.4. Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- 5.4.1. All appropriate phases of the monitoring, sampling, and laboratory analytical procedures shall comply with the EPA Region IX-specified protocols and references listed in Special Condition 3.1.2.
- 5.4.2. The qualifications of the on-site Principal Investigator in charge of the field monitoring operation at the dump site shall be submitted to EPA Region IX and the ASEPA for approval before the initial monitoring cruise. Notification of any change in this individual shall be submitted to EPA Region IX and ASEPA at least 7 days before the cruise is scheduled.

6. SPECIAL CONDITIONS - NOTICE TO REGULATORY AGENCIES

- 6.1. Notice of Sailing to the U.S. Coast Guard Liaison Office and the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency
 - 6.1.1. The waste transporter shall provide telephone notification of sailing to CGLO Pago Pago at 633-2299 and the ASEPA at 633-2304 during working hours (7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.) no later than 24 hours before the estimated time of departure for the dump site defined in Special Condition 2.2. A record of contact with both agencies shall be reported with other information for each disposal trip.
 - 6.1.2. The waste transporter shall immediately notify CGLO Pago Pago and the ASEPA upon any changes in the estimated time of departure greater than two hours.

- 6.1.3. Surveillance of activities at the dump site designated in Special Condition 2.2, may be accomplished by unannounced aerial overflights, a USCG shiprider and/or a ASEPA shiprider who will be on board the towing/conveyance vessel for the entire voyage. Within two hours after receipt of the initial notification the waste transporter will be advised whether or not a shiprider will be assigned to the waste transporter's disposal vessel.
- 6.1.4. The following information shall be provided to CGLO Pago Pago and the ASEPA in the notification of sailing defined above:
 - 6.1.4.1. The time of departure,
 - 6.1.4.2. Estimated time of arrival at the dump site,
 - 6.1.4.3. Estimated time of departure from the dump site, and
 - 6.1.4.4. Estimated time of return to port.

6.2. Reports and Correspondence

6.2.1. Two copies of all reports and related correspondence required by General Condition 1.10, Special Conditions 3.2, 3.3, 4.3, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 6.1, and all other materials, including applications shall be submitted to EPA Region IX at the following address:

Office of Pacific Island and Native American Programs (E-4) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, California 94105-3901 Telephone (415) 744-1974

6.2.2. Two copies of all reports required by General Condition 1.10 and Special Conditions 4.5, 4.6, 4.7 and 6.1 sent to the U.S. Coast Guard shall be submitted to the following address:

Commanding Officer
U.S. Coast Guard Liaison Office
P.O. Box 249
Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799
Telephone (684) 633-2299

6.2.3. Three copies of all reports required by General Condition 1.10 and Special Conditions 3.2, 3.3, 4.3, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 and 6.1 sent to the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency shall be submitted to the following address:

Director American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency Office of the Governor Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799 Telephone (684) 633-2304

6.2.4. One copy of the all reports required by Special Conditions 3.3, 5.2 and 5.3 shall be sent to the USFWS, the NMFS and the WPRFMC at the following addresses:

Project Leader
Office of Environmental Services
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
300 Ala Moana Boulevard
P.O. Box 50167
Honolulu, Hawaii 96850

Western Pacific Program Officer National Marine Fisheries Service 2570 Dole Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96822-2396

Executive Director Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1405 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Signed this day of, 1993
For the Regional Administrator:
[To be signed when the Final Permit is prepared]
Harry Seraydarian, Director Water Management Division U.S. EPA, Region IX

APPENDIX A

SPECIAL OCEAN DUMPING PERMIT OD 93-01 OCEAN DUMP SITE MONITORING PLAN

7. MONITORING OF RECEIVING WATER

Monitoring of the receiving waters at the disposal site defined in Special Condition 2.2 shall be the responsibility of the permittee. Funding and cooperation for site monitoring may be accomplished through an agreement between permittee and other permittees authorized to use the disposal site. Any agreements negotiated between the permittee and other authorized permittees shall be the sole responsibility of the permittee named in this permit. EPA Region IX requires that a monitoring program be developed that complies with the special conditions defined below.

During each monitoring cruise, the fish processing waste plume from the disposal vessel shall be sampled by taking discrete water samples for the measurement of parameters listed in Special Condition 7.2.4. Results of the first 6-month monitoring report will be evaluated by EPA Region IX to determine whether portions of Special Conditions 7 and/or 8 will be revised. The evaluation will be based on documented sampling results and recommendations by the permittee(s).

7.1. Location of Water Sampling Stations

- 7.1.1. On each sampling cruise, the latitude and longitude of all sampling stations shall be determined and plotted using an acceptable navigational system.
- 7.1.2. The Principal Investigator shall ensure that discrete water samples are taken at the locations marked in Figure 1.

				Prevailing Surface Current Direction <
5 Leading Edge of Plume	4 1.0 nmi	3 0.5 nmi	2 0.25 nmi	l Starting

Figure 1. Orientation of Sample Stations (Top View) in the Middle of the Discharge Plume Visually Identified at the Time of Sampling.

- 7.1.3. The following stations, defined in Figure 1, shall be sampled on each sampling cruise:
 - 7.1.4.1. Station 1 shall be the starting point of the dumping operation as determined in Special Condition 4.3.

- 7.1.4.2. Station 2 shall be 0.25 nautical miles (nmi) down-current from Station 1.
- 7.1.4.3. Station 3 shall be 0.5 nmi down-current from Station 1.
- 7.1.4.4. Station 4 shall be 1.0 nmi down-current from Station 1.
- 7.1.4.5. Station 5 shall be at the leading edge of the discharge plume, but within the plume.
- 7.1.4. The Principal Investigator shall ensure that each sampling station is positioned as close as possible to the middle of the discharge plume according to his/her best professional judgment.

7.2. Water Column Characteristics to Be Measured

- 7.2.1. Discrete water samples at Stations 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 shall be taken at depths of 1, 3, and 10 meters from the surface at the middle of the plume visually identified by the Principal Investigator.
- 7.2.2. Surface water conditions shall be recorded at all stations including:
 - 7.2.2.1. Wind speed and direction;
 - 7.2.2.2. Current direction and wave height; and
 - 7.2.2.3. Observations of waste, color (e.g., Forel-Ule color scale), odor, floating materials, grease, oil, scum, and foam.
- 7.2.3. Water samples shall be obtained using a self-closing 3-liter water sample device at each depth listed in 7.2.1.
- 7.2.4. Water column parameters analyzed from discrete samples taken at the depths listed in 7.2.1 shall include:

Table 4. Physical and Chemical Parameters to be Analyzed from Water Samples Taken at the Ocean Disposal Site.

Parameter ^a	Method Detection Limit
Total Suspended Solids	10.0 mg/L
Total Volatile Suspended Solids	10.0 mg/L
Oil and Grease	10.0 mg/L

Parameter ^a	Method Detection Limit
Total Phosphorus	1.0 mg/L
Total Nitrogen	1.0 mg/L
Ammonia	1.0 mg/L
рН	0.1 pH units

a = Samples should be acidified to pH < 2 with sulfuric acid and refrigerated a 4°C until analysis.

7.2.5. Temperature measurements shall be taken at depths of 1, 3, and 10 meters at the starting point of the disposal operation, as defined in Special Condition 4.3.3.

7.3. Frequency of Sampling

- 7.3.1. Water samples shall be collected when dumping operations occur. Each station listed under Special Condition 7.1 shall be sampled once each month. These samples shall be used to characterize the receiving waters at the disposal site.
- 7.3.2. Control samples shall be taken at Station 1 before dumping activities.
- 7.3.3. Station 1 shall be sampled at a point within the plume immediately after discharge operations cease.
- 7.3.4. Stations 2 through 5 shall be sampled consecutively at distances indicated in Special Condition 7.1.4 to allow efficient sampling of the discharge plume. The time between each sample and the sampling location, beginning with the control sample and ending with the sample collected at the leading edge of the plume, shall be recorded.

7.4. Water Quality Criteria and Standards

7.4.1. The LPC of the liquid phase of the waste material shall not be exceeded at the disposal site boundary four hours after disposal operations cease. The LPC is that concentration of the material which, after allowance for initial mixing as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 227.29, does not exceed applicable American Samoa Oceanic Water Quality Standards (see Table 1). EPA Region IX and the ASEPA will evaluate the LPC based on EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations and the concentration of parameters measured at the stations sampled during the tenure of this permit.

8. MONITORING OF BIOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

8.1. Pelagic Resources

- 8.1.1. All sightings of fish, sea turtles, sea birds, or cetaceans near the disposal site shall be recorded including:
 - 8.1.1.1. Time, location and bearing;
 - 8.1.1.2. Species name(s); and
 - 8.1.1.3. Approximate number of individuals.

APPENDIX B - REPORT FORM 1

Monthly Volumes of StarKist Samoa Fish Processing Wastes Loaded Aboard the Disposal Vessel

Month	19

OD 93-01	DAF Sludge	Cooker Juice	Press Liquor	Total/Day
	(gallons/day)	(gallons/day)	(gallons/day)	(gallons/day)
Permit Limits	60,000	100,000	40,000	200,000

Disposal Trip Date	DAF Sludge (gallons/day)	Cooker Jui (gallons/da	ce Pr y) (g	ess Liquor allons/day)	Total/Day (gallons/day)	

Disposal Trip Date	DAF Sludg (gallons/day	Cooker Jui (gallons/da	Press Liquo (gallons/day	Total/Day (gallons/day	
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NOTE: An asterisk (*) to the right of the fish processing waste volume signifies that a violation of the permit limit has occurred. The number of violations are shown in the Monthly Totals row.

	Monthly	quantities of	f alum	(aluminum	sulfate)	and	coagulant	polymer	added	to	the
fish	processing	waste stream	ıs:								

Aluminum sulfate:	pounds/month
Coagulant polymer:	pounds/month

APPENDIX B - REPORT FORM 2

Data Form for 6-Month Report on Waste Stream Analyses for StarKist Samoa MPRSA § 102 Permit #OD 93-01

Reporting Period: From	19 To	19

StarKist Samoa - Dissolved Air Flotation (DAF) Sludge

Month & Year	Total Solic (mg/L)	Total Vola Solids (mg/L)		5-Day Biologic Oxygen Dema (mg/L)	Oil and Gro (mg/L)	Total Phospho (mg/L)	rus	Total Nitro (mg/L)	Ammon (mg/L)		pH (pH unit	s)	Densit (g/mL	
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OD 93-01 Permit Limits	163,430	136,180		232,320	 64,100	 1,640		7,020	1,830		5.3 to 6	.5	0.97 to	1.06

NOTE: An asterisk (*) next to the waste concentration signifies that a violation of the permit limit has occurred.

StarKist Samoa - Cooker Juice

Month & Year	Total Solids (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Density (g/mL)
OD 93-01 Permit Limits	114,180	63,400	185,150	11,810	940	7,560	690	5.9 to 6.3	0.98 to 1.06

NOIE: An asterisk (*) next to the waste concentration signifies that a violation of the permit limit has occurred.

Data Form for 6-Month Report on Waste Stream Analyses for StarKist Samoa MPRSA § 102 Permit #OD 93-01

Reporting Period: From	19	To	19	

StarKist Samoa - Press Liquor

Month & Year	Total Solid: (mg/L)	s	Total Volat Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biologic Oxygen Dema (mg/L)	Oil and Gre	Total Phospho (mg/L)	rus	Total Nitro	gen	Ammon (mg/L)		pH (pH uni	ts)	Densi (g/m)	
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OD 93-01 Permit Limits	327,870		292,280	 310,790	 112,080	 3,160		20,360		1,390		5.8 to 6	.5	0.99 to 1	.08

NOTE: An asterisk (*) next to the waste concentration signifies that a violation of the permit limit has occurred.

StarKist Samoa - Summary of Monthly Volumes of Fish Processing Waste Disposed at the Ocean Site and the Amount of Aluminum Sulfate and Coagulant Polymer Added to the Waste Streams.

Month & Year	DAF Sludge (gallons/month)	Cooker Water (gallons/month)	Press Liquor (gallons/month)	Total Fish Processing Waste (gallons/month)	Aluminum sulfate (pounds/month)	Coagulant polymer (pounds/month)
6-Month Totals						

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PROPOSED ACTION U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) REGION IX 75 HAWTHORNE STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94105-3901

Applications for Permits to Transport and Dump Materials into Ocean Waters

Public Notice for Ocean Dumping Permit Numbers OD 93-01 and OD 93-02

Pursuant to Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) of 1972, as amended (33 U.S.C. § 1401 et seq.) and 40 C.F.R. § 222.3 of EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations (42 Fed. Reg. 2462, Jan. 11, 1977), notice is hereby given by this office of complete applications for permits to transport and dispose fish processing wastes into ocean waters of Tutuila Island, American Samoa. The permit applicants are: STARKIST SEAFOOD COMPANY, INC. (an affiliate of H.J. HEINZ COMPANY), 180 East Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802-4797 and VAN CAMP SEAFOOD COMPANY, INC., 4510 Executive Dr., Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92121-3029, for their respective subsidiary companies: STARKIST SAMOA, INC., P.O. Box 368, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799 and VCS SAMOA PACKING COMPANY, INC., P.O. Box 957, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799.

EPA has made a tentative decision to issue special ocean dumping permits to StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company for a three-year period. The Agency has determined that these permits are required for ocean disposal of fish processing wastes produced at canneries in Pago Pago, American Samoa. The fish processing wastes to be disposed from StarKist Samoa are: dissolved air flotation (DAF) sludge, cooker juice and press liquor. The fish processing wastes to be disposed from VCS Samoa Packing are: DAF sludge, precooker water and press water. Based on dilution levels expected at the designated ocean disposal site, the fish processing wastes are not expected to cause significant long-term impacts to oceanic water quality, marine ecosystems or human health.

The fish processing wastes will be disposed at an ocean disposal site 5.45 nautical miles southeast of Tutuila Island. The ocean disposal site has center coordinates of 14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude and a radius of 1.5 nautical miles. The water depth at the disposal site is about 9,000 feet. This site was designated for use on February 6, 1990 (55 Fed. Reg. 3948) and was used by the two American Samoa canneries for disposal of fish processing wastes under MPRSA § 102 special permits OD 90-01 (StarKist Samoa) and OD 90-02 (VCS Samoa Packing Company) for three years. No significant long-term environmental impacts were found at the site during site monitoring activities.

During the term of special permits OD 93-01 and OD 93-02, the permittees must continue monitoring programs for fish processing waste streams, disposal vessel navigation and monthly ocean disposal site monitoring. Information compiled during the term of these permits and any previous information about ocean disposal of fish processing wastes off

American Samoa will be used by EPA Region IX to determine compliance with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations defined at 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228 and the Special MPRSA § 102 permits.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION AND TENTATIVE DETERMINATION

DAF sludge is waste material that remains after treatment of fish processing wastes to remove grease and suspended particulate matter. DAF sludge also contains aluminum sulfate or alum (an odor reducing chemical) and coagulant polymers (to coagulate suspended matter) that are added during the waste treatment process. Cooker juice or precooker water is a combination of stick water and other process water that collects under the steam precookers at the fish plants. Press liquor or press water is waste water produced at the fish meal plants when fish scrap is cooked and pressed before being dried to produce livestock food meal.

There are no changes in the volumes of fish processing wastes proposed for disposal by either applicant. The proposed disposal volumes are:

Fish Processing Waste	StarKist Samoa (gallons/day)	VCS Samoa Packing (gallons/day)	Total Volume (gallons/day)
DAF Sludge	60,000	60,000	120,000
Cooker Juice	100,000	0	100,000
Precooker Water	0	100,000	100,000
Press Liquor	40,000	0	40,000
Press Water	0	40,000	40,000
Daily Maximum	200,000	200,000	400,000

Based on EPA Region IX's review of data collected under the previous MPRSA § 102 special permits, the following changes are proposed for the new permits: 1) new permit limits have been calculated which are mostly lower than the previous permit limits, 2) analysis of heavy metals in the waste streams has been deleted because data showed low concentrations of all analytes, 3) analysis of petroleum hydrocarbons in the waste streams has been deleted because fish oils interfere with this analysis, 4) a new disposal vessel (the FV TASMAN SEA) is authorized and a new set of bioassays and plume modeling are required to confirm that disposal operations are similar to the previous permitted actions, 5) a computerized navigation system is required to plot the course of the vessel accurately during disposal operations, and 6) new reporting forms have been developed to aid in reporting permit monitoring information. All other general and special conditions are similar to existing conditions in MPRSA § 102 special permits OD 90-01 and OD 90-02.

INITIATION OF HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Within 30 days of the date of this notice, any person may request a public hearing to consider the issuance of, or the conditions to be imposed upon, these permits. Any such request for a public hearing must: 1) be in writing, 2) identify the person requesting the hearing, 3) state any objections to the issuance of, or to the conditions to be imposed upon, these permits, and 4) state the issues which are proposed to be considered at the hearing. Under 40 C.F.R § 222.4, the Regional Administrator's determination on whether to hold a public hearing shall be based on whether the request presents genuine issues of policy or facts amenable to resolution by public hearing.

Comments on the tentative determination and requests for public hearings may be submitted in writing within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: Ms. Janet Y. Hashimoto, Chief, Marine Protection Section (W-7-1), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901, telephone (415) 744-1156.

The Administrative Record, which includes the applications, the draft permits, the fact sheet describing the permits and changes from special permits OD 90-01 and OD 90-02, is available for public review Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the: EPA Region IX Library, 13th Floor, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA, (415) 744-1510; EPA Pacific Island Contact Office, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 5124, Honolulu, HI, (808) 541-2710; and American Samoa EPA, Executive Office Building, Office of the Governor, Pago Pago, American Samoa, (684) 633-2304.

FACT SHEET SPECIAL OCEAN DUMPING PERMITS STARKIST SAMOA (OD 93-01) AND VCS SAMOA PACKING COMPANY (OD 93-02) LOCATED IN PAGO PAGO, AMERICAN SAMOA

I. SUMMARY

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region IX has received complete applications from StarKist Samoa, Incorporated and VCS Samoa Packing Company, Incorporated for continued ocean disposal of fish processing wastes off Pago Pago, American Samoa. Disposal of fish processing wastes was permitted under two previous Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) § 102 Special Permits, OD 90-01 (StarKist Samoa) and OD 90-02 (VCS Samoa Packing). These permits began on July 31, 1990 and are effective until July 30, 1993. Disposal operations occurred at a designated site (55 FR 3948, February 6, 1990) located 5.45 nautical miles from land (14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude) with a radius of 1.5 nautical miles in about 1,500 fathoms of water.

The Regional Administrator has tentatively decided to issue special ocean dumping permits (OD 93-01 and OD 93-02, respectively) to the applicants for ocean disposal of fish processing wastes over a three-year period. This decision has been made according to EPA's authority established in Title I of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (MPRSA) (33 U.S.C. section 1401 et seq.). Section 104B(k)(3)(B) of MPRSA contains an exclusion from the ban on disposal of industrial waste for tuna canneries in American Samoa.

The conditions and monitoring activities defined in OD 93-01 and OD 93-02 are similar to those in previous special and research ocean dumping permits. However, several changes have been made to: 1) permitted waste concentrations, 2) waste stream monitoring, 3) reporting requirements, and 4) disposal vessel operations. The changes are based on evaluation of waste stream data, confirmation of past toxicity tests and plume modeling and new navigation requirements for the disposal vessel.

EPA Region IX has tentatively decided to proceed with issuance of these special permits. Comments on our proposed action will be requested from the permit applicants, the American Samoa Government, Federal agencies, and the public as required under EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations at 40 C.F.R Parts 220 through 228. Draft special permits and supporting documents are available for public review at the U.S. EPA's Regional Office in the Library on the 13th Floor at 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California; the U.S. EPA's Pacific Island Contact Office, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu, Hawaii; and the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency, Executive Office Building, Office of the Governor, Pago Pago, American Samoa. These documents define the principal facts and significant legal, administrative and policy questions considered in the development of the special permits.

II. TENTATIVE DECISION

On December 8, 1992, StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company applied for ocean dumping permits to dispose of their fish cannery wastes at a designated ocean disposal site near Pago Pago, American Samoa. The designated site, used for the past 3 years by both canneries, is located 5.45 nautical miles from land (14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude) with a radius of 1.5 nautical miles in 1,502 fathoms of water [40 C.F.R. § 228.12(b)(74)]. EPA Region IX is planning to grant their applications by issuing a special ocean dumping permit to each cannery which will last for three years.

Current information indicates that disposal of fish processing wastes at the designated site complies with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations at 40 C.F.R. Parts 227 and 228. Information obtained during the term of the special permits will be used to evaluate whether the disposal of fish processing wastes continues to comply with criteria defined in EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations. The permittees must conduct a site monitoring program, including field and laboratory analyses. Results of the monitoring program will be used to document the extent of effects at the ocean disposal site and whether the dumping continues to comply with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations.

The proposed dumping during the term of the special permits is expected to have minimal impacts on human health and/or the marine environment, as demonstrated by the monitoring results of the previous special and research ocean dumping permits. The primary environmental impact of the proposed discharges would be short-term increases in turbidity, inorganic nutrients, oil and grease, and ammonia during the dumping events.

Past monitoring studies on the disposal of fish processing wastes off American Samoa show that water quality parameters return to ambient conditions at the boundary of the disposal site following the four hour period of initial mixing (40 C.F.R. § 227.29). To be certain that American Samoa Water Quality Standards would not be violated by the disposal of fish processing wastes, the center of the disposal site was designated 5.45 nautical miles offshore, and restrictive disposal rates and limitations on the waste material constituents are included in the special ocean dumping permits.

III. TERMS OF THE PERMIT

Special ocean dumping permits OD 93-01 and OD 93-02 are similar to OD 90-01 and OD 90-02, except those changes outlined above. The permittees have been disposing of fish cannery wastes, monitoring the waste streams and the disposal site according to the specifications of the past special and research permits.

A. Volumes of Waste Material Proposed for Ocean Disposal

Table 1. Volumes of Fish Processing Waste Authorize for Daily Disposal (see Special Condition 2.3 in both permits).

Fish Processing Waste	StarKist Samoa (gallons/day)	VCS Samoa Packing (gallons/day)	Total Volume (gallons/day)
DAF Sludge	60,000	60,000	120,000
Cooker Juice	100,000	0	100,000
Precooker Water	0	100,000	100,000
Press Liquor	40,000	0	40,000
Press Water	0	40,000	40,000
Daily Maximum	200,000	200,000	400,000

B. Waste Material Limitations in the Proposed Permits (see Special Condition 2.4 in both permits).

Table 2. Fish Processing Waste Limits for the StarKist Samoa's Permit #OD 93-01.

Physical or Chemical Parameter (units) ^a	DAF Sludge	Cooker Juice	Press Liquor
Total Solids (mg/L)	163,430	114,180	327,870
Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	136,180	63,400	292,280
5-Day BOD (mg/L)	232,320	185,150	310,790
Oil and Grease (mg/L)	64,100	11,810	112,080
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	1,640	940	3,160
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	7,020	7,560	20,360
Ammonia (mg/L)	1,830	690	1,390
pH (pH units)	5.3 to 6.5	5.9 to 6.3	5.8 to 6.5
Density (g/mL)	0.97 to 1.06	0.98 to 1.06	0.99 to 1.08

a = All calculated values were rounded to the nearest 10, except the density and pH ranges.

Table 3. Fish Processing Waste Limits for the VCS Samoa Packing's Permit #OD 93-02.

Physical or Chemical Parameter (units) _a	DAF Sludge	Precooker Water	Press Water
Total Solids (mg/L)	461,790	115,180	381,510
Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	455,560	84,450	409,310
5-Day BOD (mg/L)	349,350	64,650	365,550
Oil and Grease (mg/L)	395,700	11,180	165,860
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	3,790	1,850	2,950
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	21,820	12,830	35,100
Ammonia (mg/L)	3,470	410	830
pH (pH units)	4.8 to 7.0	5.5 to 6.6	5.5 to 6.8
Density (g/mL)	0.86 to 1.05	0.95 to 1.06	0.96 to 1.06

a = All calculated values were rounded to the nearest 10, except the density and pH ranges.

C. Calculation of Permit Limits

- 1. Data from the previous special ocean dumping permit issued to each cannery were used to calculate all permit limits. The data for each cannery were evaluated separately.
- 2. The following calculations were made for each set of data using the LOTUS-123 spreadsheet program, version 2.2: maximum and minimum levels; mean, standard deviation and the number of data points.
- 3. Any data values greater than or less than the mean plus or minus 3 standard deviations, were considered to be outliers. Outlier data points were not used in the permit limit calculations.
- 4. All procedures for calculating permit limits are discussed in Sections 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 (pages 3-1 to 3-9) of EPA's Guidance Document for Ocean Dumping Permit (January 30, 1988).
 - a. The mean and standard deviation of each physical or chemical parameter were calculated by the following equations:

$$Mean_x = \frac{\sum x_i}{N}$$

 x_i = each value for the ith constituent N = the number of data points reported

Standard Deviation_x =
$$\frac{\sum \{x_i - Mean_x\}^2}{N - 1}$$

b. The permit limit (Upper Limit) was determined by taking the mean and adding the product of a constant multiplied by the standard deviation.

Upper $Limit_x = Mean_x + (k \times Standard Deviation_x)$

k = a constant from Table 3-2 in EPA's 1988 Guidance Document.

c. The constant (k) is based on N and two variables, probability (Γ) and proportion (P), used to compute permit limits. In this case, all limits were calculated with gamma = 0.95 and P = 0.95.

IV. FACTORS CONSIDERED IN REACHING THE PERMIT DECISIONS

A. Overview of Disposal Operations

The two fish canneries in American Samoa, StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company, propose to dispose of fish processing wastes at an ocean dump site centered approximately 5.45 nautical miles south of Tutuila Island in 1,502 fathoms of water. The center coordinates of the site are: 14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude. The fish processing wastes will be transported to the upcurrent quadrant of the site and discharged at a rate less than or equal to 1,400 gallons per minute, depending on the season, at a maximum speed of 10 knots (see Special Condition 4.4.1). The disposal vessel will discharge the fish processing wastes along an oval-shaped track with the center axis of the oval perpendicular to the current direction. All disposal will occur within the boundary of the designated ocean disposal site.

On each trip, the master of the disposal vessel will document current direction at the center of the disposal site. He will then proceed to a point 1.1 nautical miles upcurrent of the prevailing surface current to discharge the waste. The fish processing wastes may be discharged only after this procedure has been conducted. This will ensure that the waste plume has an adequate area for mixing within the disposal site boundary.

Receiving waters at the disposal site are outside the American Samoa territorial sea. Though the ocean disposal site is outside these waters, the MPRSA § 102 special permits are designed to comply with oceanic water quality standards defined in § 24.0207(g)(1-7) of the American Samoa Water Quality Standards (see Table 1 under General Condition 1.5). This

will ensure that oceanic waters inside American Samoa's territorial sea are not affected by the ocean disposal operations. Four hours after dumping has ceased, concentrations of the fish processing wastes must reach ambient levels (40 C.F.R. section 227.29) at the disposal site boundary. Disposal site monitoring requirements are contained in the special permits. EPA Region IX will evaluate potential impacts to water quality based on the site monitoring reports.

B. Changes from the Previous MPRSA § 102 Special Permits

- 1. A new ocean disposal vessel will be authorized for the 1993 special permits (see page 1 of each permit). The MV ASTRO will be replaced by the FV TASMAN SEA (formerly the FV BLUE NORTH). The new disposal vessel is owned by Blue North Fisheries, Inc., at 1130 N.W. 45th Street, Seattle, WA 98107-4626.
- 2. EPA Region IX reviewed 29-30 months of waste stream monitoring data submitted by each permittee. The characteristics of the waste streams at the two canneries are entirely different; therefore, separate permits were necessary. Appendix A of this fact sheet contains the tables used to calculate the new permit limits for each permittee's waste stream defined in Section III.B above. The last part of each table shows the numerical changes from the previous special permits compared to the proposed special permits.
 - a. In general, most of the limits for StarKist Samoa's waste stream were reduced (see Appendix A, Tables 1-3). Some limits were reduced as much as 90%. The only exceptions are: Cooker Juice oil and grease (+145%), Press Liquor total solids (+21%), Press Liquor total phosphorus (+59%), and Press Liquor oil and grease (+80%). These increases in the waste stream limits are required because earlier waste stream data do not reflect the present waste stream characteristics.
 - b. Similarly, most of the limits for VCS Samoa Packing's waste streams were reduced (see Appendix A, Tables 4-6). Some limits were reduced as much as 85%. The only exceptions are: DAF Sludge total nitrogen (+46%), DAF Sludge oil and grease (+40%), DAF Sludge total volatile solids (+48%), DAF Sludge ammonia (+35%), Precooker Water 5-day biological oxygen demand (+7%), Press Water total nitrogen (+10%) and Press Water total volatile solids (+6%). These increases in the waste stream limits are required because earlier waste stream data did not properly characterize these waste streams.
- 3. Reports analyzing metal and petroleum hydrocarbon concentrations in the waste streams were submitted by StarKist Samoa (July 29, 1993) and VCS Samoa Packing (July 31, 1993). These reports were required under Special Condition 3.3.5 in the previous MPRSA § 102 special permits. EPA Region IX reviewed the permittees' analyses of metal and petroleum hydrocarbon concentrations and the permittees' explanation of the sources. The reports document low concentrations of metals and petroleum hydrocarbons for each waste stream.

EPA Region IX reviewed data submitted with the last 29-30 months of reports and we found low concentrations of metals in the waste streams. Table 4 below displays the mean and standard deviation for the concentrations listed in the tables of Appendix A. High values of aluminum in the DAF Sludge are expected because aluminum sulfate is added as an odor reducing agent. The high values for petroleum hydrocarbons are most likely a result of interference in the analysis by high concentrations of fish oils.

Table 4. Concentrations of Metals and Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons in StarKist Samoa (SK) and VCS Samoa Packing (VCS) Waste Streams Reported for MPRSA § 102 Permits OD 90-01 and OD 90-02.

DAF	Al (mg/L)	Cr (mg/L)	Ni (mg/L)	Cu (mg/L	Pb (mg/L)	Cd (mg/L)	Hg (mg/L)	TRPH (mg/L)
SK Mean	473.00	0.88	0.74	4.70	0.95	0.24	0.009	1924.00
SK SD	336.00	0.42	0.40	2.78	0.74	0.13	0.006	841.00
VCS Mean	86.00	2.10	2.06	6.08	2.81	0.86	0.016	13393.00
VCS SD	59.00	1.14	1.71	3.26	1.96	0.61	0.010	9339.00
CJ - PC								
SK Mean	1.12	0.12	0.26	0.37	0.17	0.20	0.006	64.00
SK SD	0.90	0.06	0.22	0.11	0.14	0.06	0.002	26.00
VCS Mean	1.02	0.13	0.25	0.29	0.23	0.19	0.004	119.00
VCS SD	0.67	0.05	0.21	0.13	0.24	0.10	0.002	94.00
PL - PW								
SK Mean	1.81	0.15	0.32	.090	0.23	0.49	0.017	961.00
SK SD	1.12	0.07	0.24	0.37	0.22	0.22	0.008	531.00
VCS Mean	0.95	0.17	0.29	0.49	0.28	0.21	0.006	2471.00
VCS SD	0.57	0.10	0.24	0.18	0.24	0.09	0.002	2478.00

DAF = Dissolved Air Flotation Sludge

CJ - PC = StarKist Samoa Cooker Juice and VCS Samoa Packing Precooker Water

PL - PW = StarKist Samoa Press Liquor and VCS Samoa Packing Press Water

SD = Standard Deviation

EPA Region IX determined that these levels do not pose a significant risk to the marine environment or human health based on the design of disposal operations and dilution at the disposal site. Therefore, requirements to analyze metals and petroleum hydrocarbons in the permittees' waste streams have been deleted from the new permits.

- 4. Two new data reporting forms were developed for the 1993 ocean dumping permits (see Appendix B of each permit). These forms, and data submitted on a computer diskette compatible with EPA Region IX's computer system, will streamline the 6-month data reporting requirements.
- 5. The canneries must conduct confirmatory suspended particulate phase bioassays within one year of the effective date of the permit (see Special Condition 3.3.5). These tests are required because the nature of the fish processing wastes has changed from the initial characterization of the waste streams conducted more than 5 years ago. Results of the new bioassays will be used to calculate new Limiting Permissible Concentration (LPC) values. The new LPC values will be used to rerun the plume model used to predict dilution and discharge rates at the ocean disposal site. A report will be prepared by each permittee discussing the test procedures and results of the bioassay tests and new model runs. EPA Region IX will review the report to determine whether any changes in the ocean dumping permits are necessary.
- 6. A computerized navigation system is specified in Special Condition 4.3.4 and 4.5 to simplify plotting of the disposal vessel's track once inside the ocean disposal site and during disposal operations. This system will provide a continuous plot of the disposal vessel's track and a hard copy of each plot will be sent with the 6-month report.

V. EPA'S AUTHORITY TO ISSUE OCEAN DUMPING PERMITS

- A. EPA's authority to issue special ocean dumping permits is defined under Title I of MPRSA and at 40 C.F.R. § 220.4. The authority to issue special permits was delegated to the Regional Administrator on January 11, 1977 (42 FR 2462). The Regional Administrator's authority to issue special permits was redelegated to the EPA Region IX Water Division Director on January 25, 1982 (EPA Region IX Order R1250.5A).
- B. Section 102 of MPRSA authorizes EPA to issue permits for ocean dumping. The Agency must determine that the proposed dumping will not unreasonably degrade or endanger human health, welfare, or amenities, or the marine environment, ecological systems, or economic potentialities. In addition to these requirements, EPA must evaluate each permit application to determine whether the dumping will comply with the criteria at 40 C.F.R. Part 227 and whether the designated site complies with the criteria at 40 C.F.R. Part 228.
- C. The American Samoa Fish Processing Waste disposal site was designated, through the publication of a Final Rule, on February 6, 1990 (55 FR 3948) at 40 C.F.R. § 228.12(b)(74). The designation process consisted of publication of an environmental impact statement (EIS) according to EPA's voluntary EIS policy. The draft EIS for this project was published on September 16, 1988 (53 FR 38118) and a final EIS was published on March 3, 1989 (54 FR 9083). The final rule designating the ocean disposal site was published on February 6, 1990 (55 FR 3948).

D. EPA Region IX will periodically evaluate the special permits to determine whether the fish canneries disposal operations comply with the special permit conditions. If unacceptable impacts are detected at the site (40 C.F.R. section 228.10), or significant permit violations are found, EPA will determine whether use of the site should be restricted (40 C.F.R. sections 228.10 and 228.11), or whether enforcement actions should be initiated under MPRSA § 105.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES AND THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS

- A. The processing of an ocean dumping permit consists of the following actions:
 - 1. EPA receives a completed application (40 C.F.R. § 221).
 - 2. EPA issues a tentative decision whether to grant or deny the special permit (40 C.F.R. § 222.2). A draft permit is the means by which EPA documents the intent to grant an ocean dumping permit.
 - 3. A public notice is issued to announce EPA's intent to issue the permit (40 C.F.R. § 222.3). The notice contains the following elements: summary, tentative determination, factors considered in reaching the tentative determination, hearing process, and the location of all information on the draft permit. Public notices describing EPA's intent to issue a permit are published in a daily newspaper in closest proximity to the proposed dump site and in a daily newspaper in the city in which EPA's Regional Office is located.
 - 4. Before a final decision can be made on the special permit, formal consultation must be documented with the following agencies: American Samoa Government, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Coast Guard, National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Shellfish Sanitation Branch of the Food and Drug Administration.

B. Initiation of a Public Hearing

- 1. Within 30 days of the date of the public notice, any person may request a public hearing to consider issuance or denial of the special permit or conditions to be imposed upon this permit. Any request for a hearing must be made in writing; must identify the person requesting the hearing; and must clearly state any objections to issuance or denial of the permit or to the conditions to be imposed upon the permit, and the issues to be considered at the hearing. According to 40 C.F.R. § 222.4, the Regional Administrator may schedule a hearing, at his discretion, based on genuine issues presented in the written request.
- 2. Upon receipt of a written request presenting genuine issues amenable to resolution by a public hearing, the Regional Administrator may determine a time and place for the hearing and publish a notice of the hearing. All interested parties will be invited to express their views on the proposed

issuance or denial of the permit at the hearing if one is held. If a request for a public hearing is made within 30 days of the date of this notice and does not meet the above criteria, the Regional Administrator must advise the requesting person of his decision to deny the hearing in writing and proceed to rule on the application.

- 3. Following adjournment of the public hearing, the Presiding Officer, appointed by the Regional Administrator, prepares written recommendations about the issuance, denial or conditions to be imposed upon the permit after full consideration of the views and arguments expressed at the hearing (40 C.F.R. §§ 222.6 through 222.8). The Presiding Officer's recommendations and the record of the hearing are forwarded to the Regional Administrator within 30 days of the hearing.
- 4. The Regional Administrator makes a determination whether to issue, deny or impose conditions on the permit within 30 days of receipt of the Presiding Officer's recommendations. He must give written notice of the decision to any person appearing at the public hearing (40 C.F.R. § 222.9).
- 5. A final permit becomes effective 10 days after issuance, if no requests for an adjudicatory hearing are received. Requests for an adjudicatory hearing may be made to the Regional Administrator within 10 days of receipt of the notice to issue or deny the permit (40 C.F.R. § 222.10 and § 222.11). An appeal of the Regional Administrator's adjudicatory hearing decision may be made in writing to the Administrator of EPA within 10 days following receipt of the Regional Administrator's determination on the need for an adjudicatory hearing (40 C.F.R. § 222.12).

VII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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APPENDIX A

FACT SHEET

WASTE STREAM DATA FROM STARKIST SAMOA AND VCS SAMOA PACKING

Table 1. StarKist Samoa DAF Sludge Data from August 1990 to January 1993 under OD 90-01.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
AUG 1990	113,000	172,000	1,018	*21,000	39,000	5.55	87,000	1.04	1,800
SEP 1990	117,000	135,000	1,468	6,600	32,000	5.66	90,000	1.02	<u>*5,485</u>
OCT 1990	44,000	121,500	527	2,100	13,000	6.07	23,000	1.03	*3,200
NOV 1990	60,000	73,500	1,513	500	24,000	5.75	34,000	1.02	247
DEC 1990	118,000	62,000	950	2,567	59,000	6.39	88,000	1.00	2,120
JAN 1991	176,500	136,500	610	3,983	48,000	6.37	150,500	1.01	1,543
FEB 1991	52,000	28,500	285	2,900	8,500	5.85	30,000	1.01	1,800
MAR 1991	121,000	175,500	1,370	4,400	25,000	5.57	93,000	1.03	670
APR 1991	61,000	242,750	547	2,400	17,000	5.72	37,000	1.02	923
MAY 1991	163,000	183,000	1,080	7,600	65,000	5.51	139,000	1.02	747
JUN 1991	77,000	137,500	820	2,840	14,000	6.28	56,000	1.02	300
JUL 1991	87,000	174,500	900	4,200	20,000	5.82	65,000	1.02	580
AUG 1991	74,000	174,500	493	6,100	18,000	5.95	53,000	1.00	530
SEP 1991	122,000	208,000	660	3,900	59,000	5.73	100,000	1.03	630
OCT 1991	64,000	68,400	840	3,040	23,500	5.90	44,000	1.02	500
NOV 1991	95,000	50,087	904	3,250	14,000	6.12	74,000	1.04	390
DEC 1991	99,000	28,333	865	2,420	9,000	5.68	49,000	1.02	364
JAN 1992	55,000	78,634	570	1,780	11,400	5.85	30,000	1.01	190
FEB 1992	48,600	14,751	593	1,600	11,000	6.01	29,000	1.02	222
MAR 1992	41,000	40,262	213	630	9,400	5.80	26,000	1.00	170
APR 1992	115,000	119,225	480	580	33,100	5.72	101,000	0.97	472
MAY 1992	35,000	54,097	460	1,350	11,000	6.60	22,000	0.98	440
JUN 1992	91,000	74,725	1,370	3,420	39,600	6.11	77,000	0.98	357
JUL 1992	59,500	101,883	700	5,850	19,600	5.95	35,600	0.97	880
AUG 1992	48,000	48,500	750	1,640	12,500	5.64	38,000	1.02	110
SEP 1992	52,100	59,054	1,180	3,000	14,000	5.90	35,500	1.01	500

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
OCT 1992	110,000	56,074	1,670	4,800	24,000	6.12	82,000	0.93	927
NOV 1992	106,000	64,348	660	2,300	64,300	5.63	84,700	0.99	490
DEC 1992	91,300	58,193	990	1,830	30,100	5.68	62,100	1.03	240
JAN 1993	71,100	60,319	570	3,000	23,100	5.73	47,000	1.05	250
Maximum	176,500	242,750	1,670	7,600	65,000	6.6	150,500	1.05	2,120
Minimum	35,000	14,751	213	500	8,500	5.5	22,000	0.97	110
Number	30	30	30	29	30	30	30	29	28
an	85,570	100,055	835	3,123	26,370	5.9	62,747	1.01	657
Std. Dev.	35,073	59,579	364	1,756	16,996	0.3	33,077	0.02	526
Outlier +	190,788	278,791	1,928	8,391	77,358	6.7	161,977	1.07	2,235
Outlier -	-19,648	-78,682	-257	-2,144	-24,618	5.1	-36,483	0.95	-921
DAF Sludge Data	With Outliers Remove	d and Recommended Per	mit Limits						
Number	30	30	30	29	30	30	30	29	28
Mean	85,570	100,055	835	3,123	26,370	5.9	62,747	1.01	657
Std. Dev.	35,073	59,579	364	1,756	16,996	0.3	33,077	0.02	526
Upper Limit	163,432	232,319	1,644	7,021	64,101	5.3	136,177	1.06	1,825
Lower Limit						6.5		0.97	
Rounded Limit	163,430	232,320	1,640	7,020	64,100		136,180		1,830
RSA Section 10	02 Special Permit #OD	90-01 DAF Sludge Limi	ts						
Upper Limit	230,460	376,520	3,050	18,100	129,590	5.5	182,210	1.07	7,500
Lower Limit						7.0		0.92	
Changes in DAF S	ludge Limits from OD	90-01 to OD 93-01							
Upper Limit	-67,030	-144,200	-1,410	-11,080	-65,490	-0.2	-46,030	-0.01	-5,670
Percent Change	-29	-38	-46	-61	-51	-4	-25	-1	-76
Lower Limit						-0.5		0.05	
Percent Change						-7		5	

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Table 2. StarKist Samoa Cooker Juice Data from August 1990 to January 1993 under OD 90-01.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Blological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
AUG 1990	58,000	98,000	647	5,200	600	6.09	42,000	1.02	3,865
SEP 1990	34,000	107,500	430	4,000	2,500	6.26	25,000	1.00	1,695
OCT 1990	56,000	69,000	530	4,300	960	6.30	41,000	1.02	3,850
NOV 1990	66,000	56,000	824	4,700	1,300	5.98	49,000	1.03	238
DEC 1990	42,000	47,000	802	4,300	500	6.08	28,000	1.00	406
JAN 1991	43,500	64,500	293	3,251	2,990	6.05	30,500	1.01	236
FEB 1991	31,000	25,500	360	2,200	610	5.92	20,000	1.01	130
MAR 1991	56,000	158,000	590	5,200	410	6.04	38,000	1.02	215
APR 1991	55,000	198,250	616	4,900	2,200	6.16	37,000	1.02	761
MAY 1991	60,000	171,500	785	5,930	350	6.12	40,000	1.01	139
JUN 1991	56,000	111,250	580	5,110	690	6.32	39,000	1.02	260
JUL 1991	43,000	152,000	520	3,400	2,200	6.19	30,000	1.01	270
AUG 1991	74,500	165,000	632	6,100	4,300	6.02	51,000	0.99	295
SEP 1991	79,000	137,500	810	5,200	1,400	6.07	51,000	1.06	326
OCT 1991	129,000	85,050	500	6,270	*12,600	5.98	102,000	1.03	270
NOV 1991	48,000	35,541	541	3,280	2,300	6.11	33,000	1.01	170
DEC 1991	79,000	35,333	728	5,080	*13,400	5.98	56,000	1.02	262
JAN 1992	88,000	86,186	710	5,900	2,100	6.08	56,000	1.04	300
FEB 1992	57,000	39,837	594	4,600	*6,800	6.26	35,000	1.02	762
MAR 1992	63,000	45,016	585	4,480	2,600	6.06	44,000	1.03	380
APR 1992	72,200	54,947	690	5,900	*9,000	6.06	53,500	1.00	350
MAY 1992	68,000	44,799	680	5,900	4,000	6.14	48,000	1.02	220
JUN 1992	58,000	43,429	457	5,330	93	6.07	34,000	1.03	348
JUL 1992	76,800	60,002	540	6,390	*12,600	6.01	55,500	1.03	220
AUG 1992	71,000	50,346	830	6,460	2,820	5.86	44,000	0.98	440
SEP 1992	61,500	43,628	650	6,480	790	6.12	50,600	0.99	220

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Olt and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
OCT 1992	62,000	47,067	756	5,600	1,700	6.21	42,000	1.06	228
NOV 1992	78,200	35,976	640	9,500	2,010	6.10	53,900	1.04	690
DEC 1992	72,000	47,263	860	6,630	340	5.98	41,300	1.01	190
JAN 1993	131,000	56,181	690	6,100	*23,000	6.05	103,000	1.01	300
Maximum	131,000	198,250	860	6,630	13,400	6.3	56,000	1.06	762
Minimum	31,000	25,500	293	2,200	340	5.9	20,000	0.98	130
Number	30	30	30	29	28	30	28	30	27
ean	65,623	79,053	629	5,110	3,360	6.1	41,725	1.02	319
Std. Dev.	21,870	47,792	139	1,105	3,808	0.1	9,765	0.02	165
Outlier +	131,232	222,429	1,045	8,426	14,784	6.4	71,019	1.07	816
Outlier -	14	-64,322	213	1,794	-8,065	5.8	12,431	0.96	-177
Cooker Juice Dat	a With Outliers Rem	oved and Recommended	Permit Limits						
Number	30	30	30	29	28	30	28	30	27
Mean	65,623	79,053	629	5,110	3,360	6.1	41,725	1.02	319
Std. Dev.	21,870	47,792	139	1,105	3,808	0.1	9,765	0.02	165
Upper Limit	114,174	185,151	937	7,564	11,814	5.9	63,402	1.06	687
Lower Limit						6.3		0.98	
'inded Limit	114,180	185,150	940	7,560	11,810		63,400		690
MPRSA Section	102 Special Permit #C	OD 90-01 Cooker Juice L	imits						
Upper Limit	158,290	365,450	1,150	21,380	4,830	5.5	146,900	1.06	21,200
Lower Limit						7.0		0.97	
Changes in Cook	er Juice Limits from	OD 90-01 to OD 93-01							
Upper Limit	-44,110	-180,300	-210	-13,820	6,980	0.4	-83,500	0.00	-20,510
Percent Change	-28	-49	-18	-65	145	6	-57	0	-97
Lower Limit						-0.7		0.01	
Percent Change						-10		1	

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Table 3. StarKist Samoa Press Liquor Data from August 1990 to January 1993 under OD 90-01.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
AUG 1990	245,000	164,000	*2,030	23,000	50,000	5.93	221,000	1.04	9,300
SEP 1990	260,000	189,000	*2,242	12,400	*120,000	6.08	244,000	1.03	<u>3,845</u>
OCT 1990	245,000	157,500	654	10,000	*83,000	6.28	230,000	<u>0.94</u>	<u>3,050</u>
NOV 1990	200,000	158,500	1,105	8,800	*89,000	6.25	180,000	1.03	360
DEC 1990	205,000	143,000	1,257	9,650	54,000	6.28	184,000	1.04	565
JAN 1991	207,000	161,500	648	14,487	50,500	6.16	187,000	1.02	360
FEB 1991	190,000	138,000	1,850	11,000	40,000	6.22	165,000	1.06	280
MAR 1991	250,000	241,000	1,590	10,600	60,000	6.03	231,000	1.05	350
APR 1991	210,000	327,375	1,120	13,900	*72,000	6.15	185,000	1.02	943
MAY 1991	231,000	76,500	*2,430	13,000	*63,000	6.10	201,000	1.02	1,030
JUN 1991	178,000	270,500	1,540	10,200	45,000	6.21	159,000	1.01	510
JUL 1991	242,000	183,000	*2,200	11,400	41,000	6.34	216,000	1.07	800
AUG 1991	146,000	212,000	1,000	10,500	32,000	6.11	129,000	0.97	325
SEP 1991	155,000	230,500	1,300	7,400	38,000	5.95	127,000	1.04	495
OCT 1991	149,000	137,200	1,470	10,700	28,100	5.99	121,000	1.00	530
NOV 1991	76,000	73,928	800	6,000	8,400	6.08	54,000	1.03	280
DEC 1991	240,000	116,033	*2,180	14,100	43,800	5.95	212,000	1.02	503
JAN 1992	237,000	287,080	1,900	12,600	43,000	6.25	206,000	1.04	890
FEB 1992	224,000	131,039	1,660	11,600	47,000	6.22	203,000	1.04	782
MAR 1992	271,000	189,000	*3,620	13,600	*53,000	6.45	229,000	1.03	1,490
APR 1992	256,000	220,167	1,600	14,100	*80,400	6.30	232,000	1.04	1,160
MAY 1992	*288,000	253,917	1,600	13,000	*114,500	6.13	224,000	1.06	370
JUN 1992	198,000	256,800	1,350	13,600	50,500	6.19	172,000	1.04	247
JUL 1992	116,000	124,542	760	9,160	30,600	6.02	90,300	1.02	240
AUG 1992	190,000	159,667	1,940	13,700	*91,000	5.95	122,000	1.03	520
SEP 1992	203,000	189,933	1,490	17,800	52,700	6.26	179,000	1.01	660

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oll and Grease (mg/L)	pH (pH units)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)
OCT 1992	49,000	133,347	633	5,200	18,000	6.52	37,000	1.04	1,080
NOV 1992	171,000	142,510	1,070	6,700	*75,500	6.08	152,000	1.02	1,160
DEC 1992	268,000	163,470	*3,100	19,200	49,500	5.95	217,000	1.05	1,000
JAN 1993	240,000	157,000	*2,300	15,300	59,900	6.18	192,000	1.06	550
Maximum	288,000	327,375	3,620	23,000	120,000	6.5	244,000	1.07	1,490
Minimum	49,000	73,928	633	5,200	8,400	5.9	37,000	0.97	240
Number	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	29	27
Jan	204,667	179,600	1,615	12,090	56,113	6.2	176,710	1.03	647
Std. Dev.	55,497	59,096	697	3,725	25,212	0.1	52,059	0.02	335
Outlier +	371,159	356,887	3,705	23,265	131,750	6.6	332,887	1.09	1,651
Outlier -	38,175	2,314	-476	915	-19,523	5.7	20,533	0.97	-356
Press Liquor Data	With Outliers Remov	ed and Recommended F	Permit Limits						
Number	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	29	27
Mean	204,667	179,600	1,615	12,090	56,113	6.2	176,710	1.03	647
Std. Dev.	55,497	59,096	697	3,725	25,212	0.1	52,059	0.02	335
Upper Limit	327,871	310,792	3,162	20,359	112,084	5.8	292,281	1.08	1,390
Lower Limit						6.5		0.99	
Dounded Limit	327,870	310,790	3,160	20,360	112,080		292,280		1,390
MPRSA Section 10	2 Special Permit #OD	90-01 Press Liquor Lir	nits						
Upper Limit	271,920	399,090	1,990	31,550	62,150	5.5	385,630	1.07	21,170
Lower Limit						7.0		0.96	
Changes in Press I	Liquor Limits from O	D 90-01 to OD 93-01						711	
Upper Limit	55,950	-88,300	1,170	-11,190	49,930	0.3	-93,350	0.01	-19,780
Percent Change	21	-22	59	-35	80	6	-24	1	-93
Lower Limit						-0.5		0.03	
Percent Change						-7		3	

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Table 4. VCS Samoa Packing DAF Sludge Data from August 1990 to December 1992 under OD 90-02.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (pH units)
AUG 1990	140,000	140,000	2,050	6,800	11,500	130,000	0.97	*3,050	6.8
SEP 1990	41,500	97,000	405	4,900	20,000	30,000	1.02	*3,650	6.8
OCT 1990	142,000	286,000	820	7,900	108,000	129,000	0.99	*2,800	6.9
NOV 1990	150,000	96,000	770	2,900	39,000	141,000	0.87	310	*5.3
DEC 1990	168,000	NA	1,900	*15,400	60,000	158,000	0.98	1,600	6.3
JAN 1991	105,000	NA	3,350	NA	74,180	76,000	0.95	*3,000	6.2
FEB 1991	179,000	NA	2,300	8,400	89,480	161,000	0.98	990	5.8
MAR 1991	175,000	86,000	1,450	NA	22,775	162,000	1.01	1,650	6.1
APR 1991	395,000	NA	1,500	NA	263,150	*375,000	0.98	1,470	5.7
MAY 1991	228,000	139,000	*4,250	NA	99,115	215,000	0.98	1,850	5.7
JUN 1991	327,000	NA	1,950	8,400	205,270	306,000	0.98	590	*5.2
JUL 1991	349,000	246,000	750	6,272	126,000	*337,000	0.99	1,220	5.7
AUG 1991	236,000	132,000	1,150	1,344	51,000	219,000	0.96	1,000	5.5
SEP 1991	266,000	108,000	2,300	560	187,850	246,000	0.97	830	*5.2
OCT 1991	234,000	232,000	1,050	2,240	131,300	227,000	0.95	1,090	6.0
NOV 1991	258,000	NA	2,100	11,200	133,600	236,000	0.98	1,400	5.6
DEC 1991	432,000	NA	3,000	*19,600	280,000	*421,000	0.95	1,130	6.0
JAN 1992	254,100	221,000	2,700	8,400	*373,000	*414,000	0.93	190	*4.7
FEB 1992	315,400	200,000	300	3,150	*299,000	*360,000	0.91	1,440	5.5
MAR 1992	296,700	*518,000	<u>*7,200</u>	4,900	182,000	*336,000	0.99	580	5.7
APR 1992	222,100	2,220	1,800	*17,500	154,780	251,000	0.99	2,020	5.9
MAY 1992	231,000	<u>*4,780,000</u>	1,300	12,600	*350,440	281,000	0.94	930	5.9
JUN 1992	294,000	290,000	1,200	14,000	*428,160	280,000	0.88	463	5.5
JUL 1992	114,000	136,000	1,700	11,900	173,000	100,000	*0.83	670	5.6
AUG 1992	130,000	260,000	3,300	*19,600	3,700	95,000	0.98	1,810	5.8
SEP 1992	52,000	42,300	1,800	12,880	62,600	36,000	0.93	706	6.3

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (pH units)
OCT 1992	159,000	182,800	1,000	6,720	173,600	148,000	0.92	640	5 .9
NOV 1992	151,000	151,000	1,500	15,120	151,720	137,000	0.89	*3,300	6.3
DEC 1992	*494,000	38,700	1,200	10,640	99,320	44,500	0.97	730	6.2
Maximum	494,000	290,000	4,250	19,600	428,160	421,000	1.02	3,650	6.9
Minimum	41,500	2,220	300	560	3,700	30,000	0.83	190	4.7
Number	29	20	28	25	29	29	29	29	29
Mean	225,476	154,301	1,746	9,333	150,122	208,672	0.95	1,418	5.9
J. Dev.	106,449	81,405	921	5,448	110,620	111,212	0.04	924	0.5
Outlier +	544,824	398,516	4,508	25,676	481,981	542,307	1.08	4,189	7.3
Outlier -	-93,872	-89,914	-1,016	-7,010	-181,737	-124,962	0.82	-1,354	4.4
DAF Sludge Dat	a With Outliers Remo	oved and Recommended	Permit Limits						
Number	29	20	28	25	29	29	29	29	29
Mean	225,476	154,301	1,746	9,333	150,122	208,672	0.95	1,418	5.9
Std. Dev.	106,449	81,405	921	5,448	110,620	111,212	0.04	924	0.5
Upper Limit	461,794	349,348	3,790	21,819	395,698	455,562	1.05	3,468	4.8
Lower Limit							0.86		7.0
Rounded Limit	461,790	349,350	3,790	21,820	395,700	455,560		3,470	
`RSA Section	102 Special Permit #0	OD 90-02 DAF Sludge Li	mits						
Upper Limit	492,000	443,840	3,910	14,950	282,750	308,700	1.08	2,570	5 .5
Lower Limit							0.85		7.0
Changes in DAF	Sludge Limits from (OD 90-02 to OD 93-02							
Upper Limit	-30,210	-94,490	-120	6,870	112,950	146,860	-0.03	900	-0.7
Percent Change	-6	-21	-3	46	40	48	-3	35	-13
Lower Limit							0.01		0
Percent Change							1		0

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Table 5. VCS Samoa Packing Precooker Water Data from August 1990 to December 1992 under OD 90-02.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (pH units)
AUG 1990	11,000	6,400	120	890	200	7,700	1.00	<u>590</u>	6.2
SEP 1990	91,000	40,000	970	8,300	7,300	73,000	1.03	<u>780</u>	6.2
OCT 1990	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NOV 1990	*435,000	58,000	460	2,700	34,000	*429,000	1.00	430	6.1
DEC 1990	73,000	NA	950	9,520	<200	50,000	1.03	130	6.1
JAN 1991	102,000	NA	1,100	4,480	23,771	76,000	1.03	260	6.0
FEB 1991	45,000	NA	1,300	` 5,600	2,866	28,000	0.95	90	6.2
MAR 1991	46,000	21,000	850	4,200	2,499	32,000	1.02	130	6.6
APR 1991	52,000	NA	950	4,340	5,229	35,000	1.04	135	5.9
MAY 1991	58,000	33,000	1,450	2,800	7,212	47,000	1.01	235	5.8
JUN 1991	83,000	NA	1,675	5,600	7,814	55,000	1.04	220	5.9
JUL 1991	95,000	37,000	1,025	1,820	3,000	69,000	1.03	200	5.9
AUG 1991	51,000	35,000	1,150	1,750	11,300	45,000	0.99	110	6.2
SEP 1991	62,000	30,000	575	2,240	48,630	53,000	1.04	110	6.1
OCT 1991	72,000	40,000	725	700	2,100	48,000	1.02	225	6.3
NOV 1991	65,000	33,000	900	6,020	7,800	50,000	0.99	120	6.4
DEC 1991	31,000	NA	1,250	3,500	7,800	24,000	0.99	1,380	6.0
JAN 1992	71,000	24,300	2,000	6,580	900	49,000	1.00	120	6.0
FEB 1992	50,000	19,300	300	3,150	2,600	39,000	0.97	156	6.7
MAR 1992	32,000	17,000	1,200	3,850	670	23,000	0.98	250	6.1
APR 1992	77,900	510	400	7,875	7,190	63,000	0.98	178	6.0
MAY 1992	59,000	<u>*258,000</u>	650	4,375	4,362	41,000	0.99	160	6.0
JUN 1992	34,000	19,300	850	5,250	3,318	22,000	0.98	90	6.3
JUL 1992	32,700	19,900	950	5,250	6,504	21,300	0.97	98	5.9
AUG 1992	67,000	42,000	1,000	7,980	*264,000	54,000	1.00	415	5.4
SEP 1992	81,000	58,200	900	9,660	2,640	47,000	0.99	293	5.9

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (pH units)
OCT 1992	103,000	47,000	1,400	10,920	6,504	73,000	1.02	208	6.1
NOV 1992	97,000	30,900	1,000	13,300	3,490	65,600	1.00	325	6.2
DEC 1992	63,300	30,200	1,100	12,042	2,808	46,100	1.00	220	6.0
Maximum	103,000	58,200	2,000	13,300	11,300	76,000	1.04	430	6.7
Minimum	11,000	510	120	700	200	7,700	0.95	90	5.4
Number	27	21	28	28	24	27	28	25	28
Mean	63,144	30,572	971	5,525	4,429	45,804	1.00	196	6.1
. Dev.	23,438	14,373	396	3,289	2,898	17,408	0.02	92	0.2
Outlier +	133,460	73,691	2,161	15,392	13,123	98,028	1.07	474	6.8
Outlier -	-7,171	-12,547	-218	-4,343	-4,264	-6,421	0.93	-81	5.4
Precooker Water D	ata With Outliers Re	moved and Recomme	nded Permit Limits						
Number	27	21	28	28	24	27	28	25	28
Mean	63,144	30,572	971	5,525	4,429	45,804	1.00	196	6.1
Std. Dev.	23,438	14,373	396	3,289	2,898	17,408	0.02	92	0.2
Upper Limit	115,178	64,651	1,851	12,827	11,178	84,450	1.06	408	5.5
Lower Limit							0.95		6.6
Rounded Limit	115,180	64,650	1,850	12,830	11,180	84,450		410	
MPRSA Section 10	2 Special Permit #OD	90-02 Precooker Wa	iter Limits						
opper Limit	257,290	60,220	2,170	20,820	207,830	358,180	1.04	2,740	5.5
Lower Limit							0.96		7.0
Changes in Precool	er Water Limits from	n OD 90-02 to OD 93	3-02						
Upper Limit	-142,110	4,430	-320	-7,990	-196,650	-273,730	0.02	-2,330	0
Percent Change	-55	7	-15	-38	-95	-76	1	-85	0
Lower Limit							-0.01		-0.4
Percent Change							-1		-5

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Table 6. VCS Samoa Packing Press Water Data from August 1990 to December 1992 under OD 90-02.

Month	Total Solids (mg/L)	5-Day Biological Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)	Total Volatile Solids (mg/L)	Density (g/mL)	Ammonia (mg/L)	pH (mg/L)
AUG 1990	280,000	230,000	1,000	1,200	150,000	260,000	1.02	2,900	6.9
SEP 1990	193,000	NA	990	10,800	52,000	178,000	1.02	360	6.9
OCT 1990	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NOV 1990	216,000	109,000	1,290	9,700	53,000	200,000	1.00	400	6.0
DEC 1990	273,000	NA	1,250	*39,200	107,000	252,000	1.04	51 0	6.2
JAN 1991	286,000	NA	2,550	21,000	157,020	266,000	1.03	290	5.9
FEB 1991	128,000	172,000	900	4,760	42,130	111,000	1.00	240	6.1
MAR 1991	290,000	102,000	2,850	NA	57,350	270,000	1.04	440	6.2
APR 1991	258,000	NA	1,350	12,600	86,580	229,000	1.02	452	5.8
MAY 1991	105,000	58,000	<u>4,100</u>	NA	22,315	89,000	1.01	875	6.0
JUN 1991	287,000	NA	1,800	23,800	132,010	260,000	1.04	350	5.8
JUL 1991	202,000	118,000	1,400	7,000	32,000	178,000	1.02	320	5.9
AUG 1991	235,000	165,000	1,950	4,200	41,000	214,000	*0.97	300	5.9
SEP 1991	282,000	185,000	1,650	3,920	143,410	262,000	1.06	270	6.0
OCT 1991	165,000	91,000	1,950	3,920	15,100	148,000	1.02	287	6.3
NOV 1991	163,000	NA	2,100	8,960	42,600	147,000	1.02	250	6.5
DEC 1991	41,000	NA	2,200	11,200	8,000	29,000	1.00	3,160	6.0
JAN 1992	269,000	163,000	3,000	23,240	93,000	251,000	1.00	760	6
FEB 1992	42,175	86,000	2,100	*35,200	68,000	140,000	1.00	382	6.2
MAR 1992	136,200	222,000	5,700	14,000	120,000	246,000	0.99	510	6.3
APR 1992	76,775	1,980	1,000	21,000	78,710	*448,000	1.00	265	6.1
MAY 1992	22,600	311,000	600	9,800	125,710	*395,000	*0.97	230	6.0
JUN 1992	355,000	300,000	1,000	17,500	54,550	339,000	0.99	503	6.2
JUL 1992	234,000	88,500	1,400	18,200	75,430	199,000	1.00	305	5.9
AUG 1992	166,000	340,000	1,500	14,000	242,000	95,000	0.99	580	5.5
SEP 1992	163,000	125,000	1,300	17,920	68,600	131,000	0.98	510	6.0

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OCT 1992	138,000	98,100	1,300	12,600	75,430	106,000	1.00	815	6.2
NOV 1992	229,000	179,000	1,200	17,080	39,640	201,000	0.99	239	6.1
DEC 1992	189,000	77,500	1,500	15,120	32,350	171,000	1.02	550	6.2
Maximum	355,000	340,000	3,000	39,200	157,020	448,000	1.06	875	6.9
Minimum	22,600	1,980	600	1,200	8,000	29,000	0.97	230	5.5
Number	28	21	26	26	27	28	28	26	28
Mean	193,741	153,432	1,582	14,535	73,072	207,679	1.01	423	6.1
d. Dev.	84,581	85,668	596	8,973	41,795	90,827	0.02	177	0.3
Outlier +	447,484	410,436	3,369	41,455	198,457	480,159	1.07	953	7.0
Outlier -	-60,002	-103,571	-205	-12,384	-52,314	-64,802	0.94	-108	5.3
Press Water Data With Outliers Removed and Recommended Permit Limits									
Number	28	21	26	26	27	28	28	26	28
Mean	193,741	153,432	1,582	14,535	73,072	207,679	1.01	423	6.1
Std. Dev.	84,581	85,668	596	8,973	41,795	90,827	0.02	177	0.3
Upper Limit	381,511	356,551	2,947	35,102	165,857	409,314	1.06	828	5.5
Lower Limit							0.96		6.8
Round Limit	381,510	356,550	2,950	35,100	165,860	409,310		830	
RSA Section 102 Special Permit #OD 90-02 Press Water Limits									
Upper Limit	463,780	524,270	6,860	32,020	386,480	384,560	1.07	4,940	5.5
Lower Limit							0.98		7.0
Changes in Press Water Limits from OD 90-02 to OD 93-02									
Upper Limit	-82,270	-167,720	-3,910	3,080	-220,620	24,750	-0.01	-4,110	0
Percent Change	-18	-32	-57	10	-57	6	-1	-83	0
Lower Limit							-0.02		-0.2
Percent Change							-2		-3

Violation of MPRSA § 102 Permit #OD 90-02, NA = Not Available, Underlined Value = Outlier not included in limit calculations.



REGION IX

75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

MAY 27 1993

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Notice of Complete Applications and Tentative Decision to Issue Special

Ocean Dumping Permits (OD 93-01 and OD 93-02) to StarKist Samoa and

VCS Samoa Packing Company

FROM:

Janet Hashimoto, Chief

Marine Protection Section (W-7-1)

TO: John Lishman, Chief

Marine Pollution Control Branch

Oceans and Coastal Protection Division (WH-556F)

Region IX has determined that StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing have submitted complete applications for ocean dumping permits to dispose of fish processing wastes off American Samoa. We have prepared two draft special permits (OD 93-01 and OD 93-02) under Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA). These permits authorize both companies to dispose of fish processing wastes from their canneries into the Pacific Ocean off American Samoa.

On February 6, 1990, Region IX designated an ocean disposal site 5.45 nautical miles southeast of American Samoa for disposal of fish processing wastes. This site was used for three years, from July 1990 to the present, under MPRSA § 102 special permits issued to the StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing. We do not anticipate major objections to the permits or continued use of the designated site.

EPA Region IX has developed the following documents to support the tentative determination for this special permit:

- 1. The public notice for EPA Region IX's action.
- 2. A fact sheet that describes the rationale behind EPA Region IX's decision.
- 3. The draft special permits which include general and special conditions.

We will keep you informed of our progress on the permits. If you have comments on the proposed special permits, within 30 days of the date on this memorandum, please contact me at (415) 744-1156.

Attachments (4)

cc: David Redford, OCPD

Regional Ocean Dumping Coordinators, Regions I, II, III, IV, VI AND X



REGION IX

75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

MAY 27 1993

SUBJECT:

Notice of Complete Applications and Tentative Decision to Issue Special Ocean Dumping Permits (OD 93-01 and OD 93-02) to StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company

Dear Interested Party:

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If you have comments on the proposed special permits, please submit your concerns in writing within 30 days of the publication date to me at the EPA address above. If you have any questions regarding the permits, you may call Patricia Young at (415) 744-1594, or me at (415) 744-1156.

Sincerely,

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Janet Y. Hashimoto, Chief

Marine Protection Section (W-7-1)



REGION IX

75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

MAY 27 1993

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Action:

Public Notice of draft Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act Section 102 permits for

StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing in American Samoa.

Projected

Announcement: Monday June 7, 1993

Location:

American Samoa

Background:

EPA Region IX has made a tentative decision to issue Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) Section 102 permits to StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing. These special permits will allow the canneries to continue disposing of fish processing wastes off American Samoa at an ocean disposal site designated by EPA Region IX in February 1990. The special permits will cover a three-year period, from July 31, 1993 through July 31, 1996. Special conditions in the permits include: 1) waste stream limits, 2) monthly waste stream analyses and reports, 3) confirmatory bioassays and plume model analyses, 4) use of a computerized navigation system aboard a new disposal vessel, and 5) disposal site monitoring. The canneries have been disposing of fish processing wastes off American Samoa since 1979 without any significant adverse environmental effects.

Press Release Information

- 1. Permit applications by StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing found to be complete.
- 2. EPA Region IX's tentative decision is to issue three-year special MPRSA Section 102 permits to both canneries for the period July 31, 1993 through July 31, 1996.
- Waste stream limits reduced for most parameters because the wastes have been characterized better by the canneries.
- 4. Confirmatory bioassays and new plume modeling work required because the waste streams are different than previous reports and a new disposal vessel, the FV TASMAN SEA, will be used to dispose of the wastes at the designated ocean disposal site.
- A computerized navigation system is required to provide more accurate plots of the disposal vessel tracks.

Public Interest: Low

Staff Contact: Patrick Cotter (W-7-1), 4-1163 Division Dir.: Harry Seraydarian (W-1)

Attorney: None

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EPA REGION IX COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Action:

Public Notice of draft Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act Section 102 permits for

StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing in American Samoa.

Projected

Announcement: Monday, June 7, 1993

Materials to be Prepared

By Whom:

A: Press Release

Lois Grunwald

B: Draft MPRSA Section 102 Permits

Patrick Cotter

C: Fact Sheet

Patrick Cotter

D: Public Notice for Newspapers

Patrick Cotter

Press Release at day 0 (June 7) after confirmation from newspapers that the Public Notice will be

printed as requested.

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Local Elected Officials None				

AUDIENCE	DAY	EPA STAFF	METHOD	MATERIALS
Public Affairs None				
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REGION IX

75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

MAY 28 1993

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Public Notice of a Tentative Decision to Issue Ocean Dumping Permits to the

Canneries in American Samoa

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FROM: Amy K. Zimpfer, Chief

Wetlands, Oceans and Estuaries Branch (W-7)

TO:

Harry Seraydarian, Director

Water Management Division (W-1)

I am alerting you about an Ocean Dumping permitting action that is proposed for two tuna canneries in American Samoa. I have attached copies of the Fact Sheet, the Notice of Application and the Communication Strategy to show you what we propose to do for these permits. The canneries, StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing, have been dumping fish processing wastes at a site 5.45 nautical miles southeast of American Samoa for the past three years under MPRSA § 102 special permits. These new permits will be effective from July 31, 1993 through July 31, 1996. Now, we must issue another three-year permit to each cannery for them to continue to dump at the site. Under MPRSA, we can only issue special permits for three years at a time.

The Marine Protection Section has reviewed the canneries' waste stream data and prepared two new permits based on the last three years of disposal activities. The new permits are similar to the last ones, except for the following conditions:

- 1. Waste stream limits were changed for both canneries based on their waste stream analytical reports. In most cases, the limits were lowered. Only a few limits were raised to reflect the new characteristics of the waste streams (see page 6 of the Fact Sheet).
- Since the waste streams are quite different compared to the past and a new disposal 2. vessel (the FV TASMAN SEA) is being proposed, Region IX will require that the canneries conduct new suspended phase bioassays and rerun the disposal plume model.
- 3. Analyses for heavy metals and petroleum hydrocarbons in the waste streams were deleted because the concentrations were low and fish oils interfere significantly with the analyses for petroleum hydrocarbons.

- 4. A computerized navigation system is required now. This will provide Region IX, ASEPA and the Coast Guard with an accurate record of the disposal vessel's tracks during dumping operations.
- 5. Two new data reporting forms have been prepared to ensure that the canneries present their waste stream and dumping volume information in a format that is useful to Region IX.

I have approved these two draft permits for publication in the San Francisco Chronicle and the American Samoa News. The draft permits will be out for review for 30 days. After the Marine Protection Section and the Office of Pacific Island and Native American Programs respond to comments and prepare final permits, you will be asked to sign the final permits before July 31, 1993. We do not anticipate any significant comments which would delay permit issuance. However, should there be a delay, the existing permits can be administratively extended until the new permits are issued. If you have any questions on this proposed action, please call me at 4-1953.

Attachments (3)

cc with attachments: Deanna Weiman (E-1)

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BY FAX to ASCMP (684) 633-4195

August 6, 1993

American Samoa Coastal Management Program American Samoa Government Pago Pago, AS 96799

Attention: Mr. Larry Ward, Acting Director

Dear Mr. Ward,

Under Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act, non-Federal activities that are conducted under Federal licenses or permits are subject to review by the American Samoa Government to ensure consistency with the CZMA. StarKist Samoa proposes to dispose of some of its cannery wastes at a US EPA designated dump site located approximately five (5) nautical miles offshore.

This letter is submitted to the American Samoa Government on behalf of StarKist Samoa, Inc. requesting certification that the proposed activity complies with the ASCMP. A set of findings documenting that the proposed activity is consistent with the ASCMP is attached to this letter as Table 1. The long term impact of the project is immediate improvement in the water quality of Pago Pago Harbor, a unique resource in American Samoa. An environmental impact statement for the proposed activity had been prepared and approved by the US EPA in 1990.

In view of the fact that the proposed activity is critical to the day-to-day operation of the cannery, a timely response to this request for certification would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Feel free to call me at (606) 655-5842 if you have any questions concerning this matter. Please copy Ms. Pat Young of US EPA Region 9 on your response. Thanks again for your help.

Respectfully,

Norman S. Wei Senior Manager

Environmental Engineering

STARKIST FOODS INC.

Phone: (606) 655-5842 Fax: (606) 655-5610

cc: Pat Young, USEPA

Sheila Wiegman, ASEPA

Table 1: Determination of Compliance with Objectives of ASCMP

<u>OBJECTIVE</u> <u>COMPLIANCE</u>

a. Territorial Administration NA (not applicable)

c: Shoreline Development No development on the shore line is proposed, and the project does not encourage new

NA

development

d: Coastal hazard No flooding or shoreline erosion is anticipated

e. Fisheries development No impact on the coastal region

f. Slope Erosion No development on land is proposed

g. Major facility siting NA

b. Village Development

h. Agricultural development NA

i. Reef protection
There is no known adverse impact on the reef since the EPA designated dump site is over 5 nautical miles from

shore

j. Recreation/shoreline access Does not affect access

k. Water quality

Disposal of wastes at the EPA designated dump site will improve water quality in the Pago Pago Harbor

1. Marine Resources

The improved water quality in the Harbor will have a beneficial impact on marine life

m. Drinking water quality NA

n. Unique areas

Pago Pago Harbor is a unique resource. This project will benefit the area by improving water quality in the harbor

o. Archaeological/cultural None will be affected and historical resources

p. Special areas

Pago Pago Harbor is considered a special area by ASCMP. Disposal of wastes at the EPA designated dump site will improve water quality in the harbor.

30 June, 1993

Ms. Janet Y. Hashimoto, Chief Marine Protection Section (W-7-1) US Environmental Protection Agency Region IX 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

RE: Comments on StarKist Samoa Inc.'s Special Ocean Dumping Permit (OD 93-01)

Dear Ms. Hashimoto:

This letter is prepared in response to the call for comments following the publication of StarKist Samoa's draft Special Ocean Dumping Permit by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in early June 1993. StarKist Samoa appreciates the efforts put forth by your Agency in preparing this draft permit which is critical to the operation of our cannery in American Samoa. I would like to make the following comments on behalf of StarKist Samoa Inc.:

- General Condition 1.2 of the Draft Permit states that 1. "during disposal operations when the permittee's fish processing wastes are combined with similar fish processing wastes from other permittees authorized to use the ocean disposal site defined in Special Condition 2.2, all companies shall be held individually liable under §105 of the Act (33 U.S.C. §1415) if a permit violation occurs". StarKist Samoa wishes to point out to the agency that it is the intent of this cannery to keep separate at all times its own fish processing wastes from those of the permittee's. Each cannery will have its own designated holding tanks onboard the vessel. This being the case, StarKist requests that the government remove this provision on holding all parties individually liable for violations of a singular party. Each party should be held liable for its own processing wastes.
- 2. Special Condition 2.3.1 shows a "maximum volume authorized for disposal" of 200.000 gallons a day which comprises 60,000 gallons of DAF sludge, 100,000 gallons of cooker juice, and 40,000 gallons of press liquor. StarKist Samoa requests that the daily maximum allowable mix be modified to 30,000 gallons of DAF sludge, 70,000 gallons of cooker juice and 100,000 of press liquor. These numbers more closely reflect the actual production rates at the cannery.

- 3. Special Condition 3.3.1.1 requires monthly monitoring of each of the fish processing waste streams. StarKist Samoa requests that in place of monitoring each waste stream separately onshore, the actual volume of wastes disposed of at the designated ocean dump site by each cannery from the vessel be recorded daily and reported to the agencies on a monthly basis. The reason for proposing this change is that the individual waste streams are commingled in a common 200,000-gallon storage tank onshore prior to being pumped to the disposal vessel. Measuring the individual volume of each stream going into the storage tank onshore would not necessarily produce the desired information on the volume of material actually disposed of at the dump site.
- 4. Special Condition 3.3.1.2 requires monthly analysis of each waste stream onshore. StarKist requests that the composite mixture in the holding tanks on the vessel for each cannery be analyzed instead. The reason is that analyses of the composite mixture in the holding tanks onboard the vessel would provide a better representation of the characteristics of the wastes that are to be disposed of at the designated dump site.
- 5. Special Condition 3.3.5 of the Draft Permit requires the Permittee to conduct bioassay tests on the fish processing wastes and to reevaluate the disposal site model. StarKist Samoa requests that the bioassay tests be deleted from its permit since the characteristics of StarKist Samoa's individual waste streams have not changed materially over the past three years. If the agency determines that the bioassay tests are required, StarKist requests that testing be deferred until 18 months after the effective date of the Permit to permit review of at least a year's worth of data based on the composite analyses of the actual wastes that are disposed of at the dump site.
- 6. With respect to the computer modeling requirement cited above, the canneries commissioned a computer modeling study in March 1990 at the request of US EPA. The purpose of that modeling study was to determine a range of different dumping vessel sizes that would be acceptable to the Agency. According to the findings of the 1990 computer study, vessels that fall within the following ranges are acceptable: length between 80.9 and 40.5 meters, beam width between 15.5 and 7.8 meters and a draft between 4.3 and 2.2 meters.

The dimensions of the <u>FV TASMAN SEA</u> are as follows: Length 50.29 meters, beam width 11.58 meters and fully loaded draft 3.96 meters. Since the physical dimensions of the new vessel fall well <u>within</u> the range of vessels modelled in the computer study of March 1990, StarKist Samoa requests that the requirement for reevaluation of the computer model be deleted.

Thank you for providing StarKist Samoa the opportunity to submit the comments set forth above.

Respectfully,

Norman S. Wei

Senior Manager, Environmental Engineering

cc: M. Callaghan

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20 April, 1993

Pat Young (E-4) American Samoa Program Manager US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

Dear Pat:

Subject: Global Positioning System for New Ocean Dumping Vessel

I have received your letter of April 5th suggesting that we consider the use of a computer plotting system for the vessel's GPS. As I mentioned to you earlier, we are supportive of this idea to ensure an accurate plotting of the disposal paths. This was agreed to in principle with our plant management during your last visit to American Samoa.

However, with respect to your other suggestion of electronically linking the sludge pumps and disposal ports to the computer plotter, we are very concerned that such high tech setup would present a serious on-going maintenance problem for the operators. Such a system would be exposed to the harsh elements and corrosive conditions out in the open seas. Maintaining it could present a major maintenance problem for the vessel staff. This is quite different from the GPS-Plotter linkup which we feel will be workable.

We believe it would be better for us to monitor dumping operation by keeping accurate records manually instead of relying on a system that may be prone to frequent failure.

While we have no problem with using the GPS-Plotter to better define the disposal path, we respectfully request that your agency allow the operators to manually record other aspects of the dumping operation. The conditions on a sludge boat out in the open seas are not conducive to operation of high tech equipment. If there are any questions, please contact me at (310) 590-3873.

Sincerely,

Norman S. Wei

Senior Manager, Environmental Engineering

cc: Pat Cotter - EPA Region 9
M. Callaghan - StarKist Samoa

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StarKist Samoa, Inc.

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(684) 644-4231 FAX NO: (684) 644-2440

8 December, 1992

The Regional Administrator
US Environmental Protection Agency
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

Dear Sir:

Subject: Application for Ocean Dumping Permit

Pursuant to Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) of 1972, as amended, StarKist Samoa Inc. hereby submits its application for an ocean dumping permit:

- (a) Name and address of applicant. StarKist Samoa Inc. P.O.Box 368, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799.
- (b) Proposed name of transporter. Blue North Fisheries, 1130 NW 45th, Seattle, WA 98107. (206) 782-3609

Name of Producer. StarKist Samoa, Inc.

- (c) **Description of material to be dumped.** Tuna sludge from the Dissolved Air Flotation unit, cooker juice and press liquor. Extensive data on the characteristics of each waste stream are on file at US EPA Region 9 office.
- (d) **Quantity of material to be dumped**. Two hundred thousand (200,000) U.S. gallons per day.
- (e) **Proposed dates and times of disposal.** Material is generated whenever StarKist Samoa Inc. is in operation. Daily dumping of up to 200,000 gallons is required.
- (f) **Proposed dump site**. EPA designated dump site described as a circular area with a 1.5 nautical mile radius, centered at 14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.30' West longitude.

The Regional Administrator
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- (g) **Proposed method of release.** The proposed method of release and control would be the same as those delineated in the current MPRSA Ocean Dumping Permit OD 90-01 Special.
- (h) **Process or activities giving rise to the production of the material.** The material is produced during the tuna canning process in American Samoa.
- (i) **Previous method of disposal**. The material has been ocean dumped at the EPA designated dump site since July 31, 1990 under StarKist Samoa Inc.'s existing MPRSA Ocean Dumping Permit OD 90-01 Special.
- (j) Need for the proposed dumping. The need for ocean dumping in American Samoa has been demonstrated in EPA Region 9's Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Designation of an Ocean Disposal Site off Tutuila Island, American Samoa for Fish Processing Wastes, February 24, 1989. Without an ocean dumping permit, the canneries would not be able to operate in American Samoa and the resultant economic impact on the local economy would be severe.
- (k) Impact of ocean dumping. The environmental impact of ocean dumping in American Samoa has been demonstrated in EPA Region 9's Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Designation of an Ocean Disposal Site off Tutuila Island, American Samoa for Fish Processing Wastes, February 24, 1989. Data are collected monthly at the dump site on the impact of the ocean dumping operation.

There has been no documented adverse impact of this operation since its inception with the designated site some 5.45 nautical miles from shore. Even in the pre-1988 period when the canneries were ocean dumping under the authority of an US EPA research permit at a designated site that was two nautical miles closer to shore, there were no documented evidence of sludge being washed onshore. Such conclusion was reached in US EPA's Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Designation of an Ocean Disposal Site off Tutuila Island, American Samoa for Fish Processing Wastes, February 24, 1989 (page V-72, response to comment 10a-9).

StarKist Samoa Inc. is proposing to contract with Blue North Fisheries to operate an ocean dumping vessel named *The Champion*. Specifications of this vessel are attached. Please note that the physical dimensions of this vessel falls within the range of vessels modelled in the computer study of March 1990.

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An experienced crew will be used in American Samoa. According to Blue North Fisheries, the company has considerable experience in ocean dumping. The company owned and operated a sludge dumping vessel under contract with Kodiak Reduction Inc. from September 1989 through March 1992 in Kodiak, Alaska. The contract was completed without accidents or mishaps.

Enclosed is a check for the amount of \$1,000 to cover the processing fee.

If there are any questions concerning this permit application, please contact the undersign or Norman Wei of our corporate office at (310) 590-3873.

Sincerely,

Maurice W. Callaghan General Manager

Attachment

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DIMENSIONS

Length: 165 ft.

38 ft. Width:

14 ft. Depth:

Built: Greenville, Mississippi

1977 Year:

Steel Hull - all welded

Completely refurbished in July 1989

Clear Deck Space: 109.5 ft by 27.25 ft.

CAPACITIES

Liquid Mud: 1160 bbls.

Dry Bulk: Fuel:

3000 cu. ft.

50,000 gals. approx.

Water & Ballast: Approx. 100,000 gals. Calcium Chloride Tanks: 18,791 gals.

Deck Cargo: 438 L.T.

MACHINERY

Main Engines: (2) Caterpillar D398D

Generators: (2) 99 KW 225/450 V AC

GM 8V71

1700 HP € 1225 RPM Completely Rebuilt July 1989

Main Gears:

(2) Caterpillar 7261

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Props: (2) 75" x 50" 4 blade stainless

Completely Rebuilt July 1989

Shaft:

(2) 6.5^m

Note: Keel cooled, air start

Steering:

Electro-hydraulic

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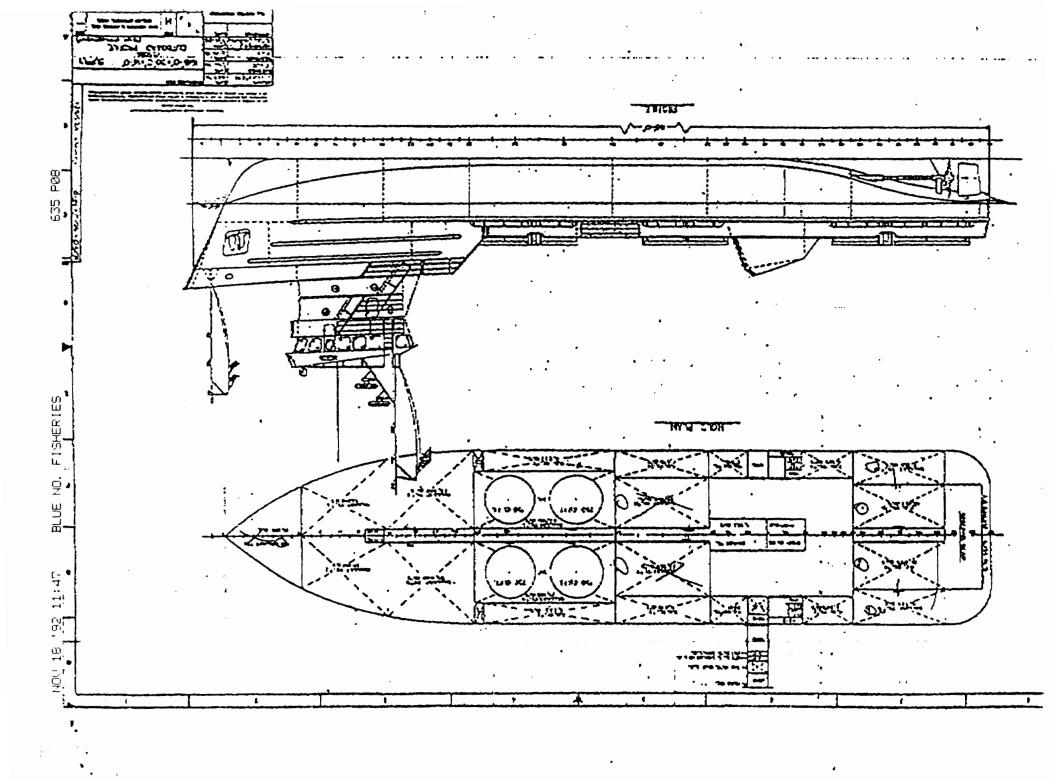
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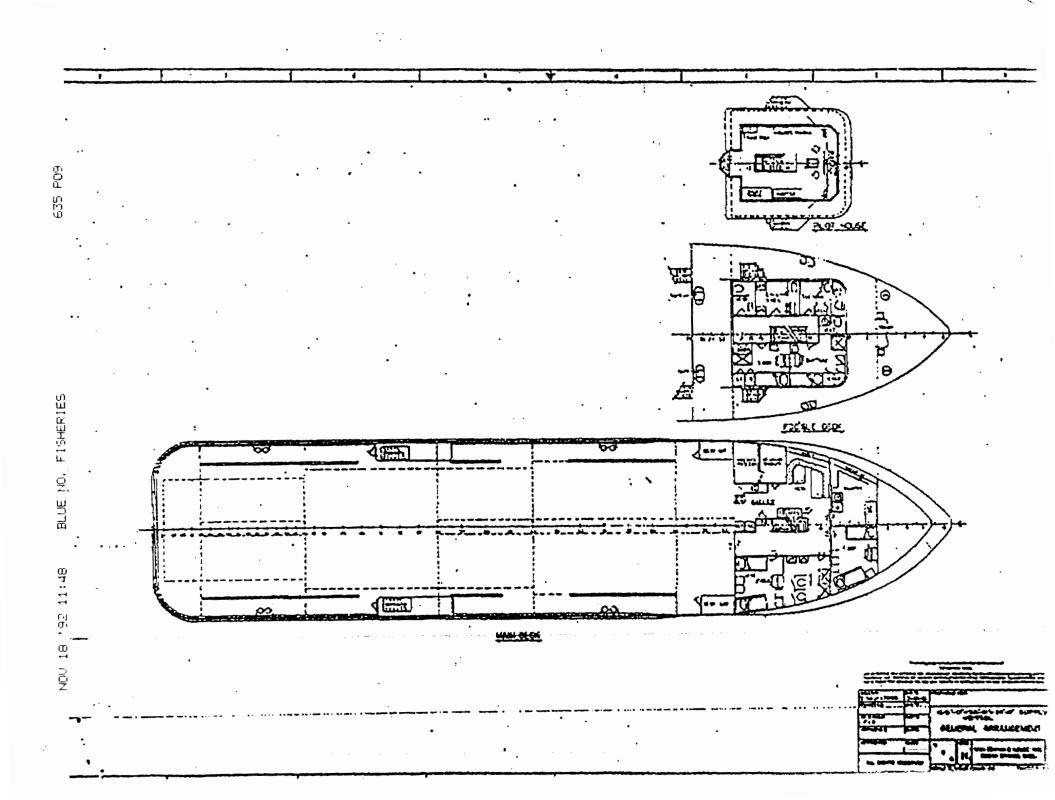
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PROPOSED ACTION U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) REGION IX 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, California 94105-3901

Applications for Permits to Transport and Dump Materials into Ocean Waters Public Notice for Ocean Dumping Permit Numbers OD 93-01 and OD 93-02

Pursuant to Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA) of 1972, as amended (33 U.S.C. § 1401 et seq.) and 40 C.F.R. § 222.3 of EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations (42 Fed. Reg. 2462, Jan. 11, 1977), notice is hereby given by this office of complete applications for permits to transport and dispose fish processing wastes into ocean waters of Tutuila Island, American Samoa. The permit applicants are: STARKIST SEAFOOD COMPANY, INC. (an affiliate of H.J. HEINZ COMPANY), 180 East Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802-4797 and VAN CAMP SEAFOOD COMPANY, INC., 4510 Executive Dr., Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92121-3029, for their respective subsidiary companies: STARKIST SAMOA, INC., P.O. Box 368, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799 and VCS SAMOA PACKING COMPANY, INC., PO. Box 957, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799.

EPA has made a tentative decision to issue special ocean dumping permits to StarKist Samoa and VCS Samoa Packing Company for a three-year period. The Agency has determined that these permits are required for ocean disposal of fish processing wastes produced at canneries in Pago Pago, American Samoa. The fish processing wastes to be disposed from StarKist Samoa are: dissolved air flotation (DAF) sludge, cooker juice and press liquor. The fish processing wastes to be disposed from VCS Samoa Packing are: DAF sludge, precooker water and press water. Based on dilution levels expected at the designated ocean disposal site, the fish processing wastes are not expected to cause significant long-term impacts to oceanic water quality, marine ecosystems or human health.

The fish processing wastes will be disposed at an ocean disposal site 5.45 nautical miles southeast of Tutuila Island. The ocean disposal site has center coordinates of 14° 24.00' South latitude by 170° 38.20' West longitude and a radius of 1.5 nautical miles. The water depth at the disposal site is about 9,000 feet. This site was designated for use on February 6, 1990 (55 Fed. Reg. 3948) and was used by the two American Samoa canneries for disposal of fish processing wastes under MPRSÁ § 102 special permits OD 90-01 (StarKist Samoa) and OD 90-02 (VCS Samoa Packing Company) for three years. No significant long-term environmental impacts were found at the site during the monitoring activities.

During the term of special permits OD 93-01 and OD 93-02, the permittees must continue monitoring programs for fish processing waste streams, disposal vessel navigation and monthly ocean disposal site monitoring. Information compiled during the term of these permits and any previous information about ocean disposal of fish processing wastes off American Samoa will be sued by EPA Region IX to determine compliance with EPA's Ocean Dumping Regulations defined at 40 C.F.R. Parts 220 through 228 and the Special MPRSA § 102 permits.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION AND TENTATIVE DETERMINATION

DAF sludge is waste material that remains after treatment of fish processing wastes to remove grease and suspended particulate matter. DAF sludge also contains aluminum sulfate or alum (an odor reducing chemical) and coagulant polymers (to coagulate suspended matter) that are added during the waste treatment process. Cooker juice or precooker water is a combination of stick water and other process water that collects under the steam precookers at the fish plants. Press liquor or press water is waste water produced at the fish meal plants when fish scrap is cooked and pressed before being dried to produce livestock food meal.

There are no changes in the volumes of fish processing wastes proposed for disposal by either applicant. The proposed disposal volumes are:

Fish Processing Waste	StarKist Samoa (gallons/day)	VCS Samoa Packing (gallons/day)	Total Volume (gallons/day)	
DAF Sludge	60,000	60,000	120,000	
Cooker Juice	100,000	0	100,000	
Precooker Water	0	100,000	100,000	
Press Liquor	40,000	0	40,000	
Press Water	0	40,000	40,000	
Daily Maximum	200,000	200,000	400,000	

Based on EPA Region IX's review of data collected under the previous MPRSA § 102 special permits, the following changes are proposed for the new permits: 1) new permit limits have been calculated which are mostly lower than the previous permit limits, 2) analysis of heavy metals in the waste streams has been deleted because data showed low concentrations of all analytes, 3) analysis of petroleum hydrocarbons in the waste streams has been deleted because fish oils interfere with this analysis, 4) an new disposal vessel (the FV TASMAN SEA) is authorized and a new set of bioassays and plume modeling are required to confirm that disposal operations are similar to the previous permitted actions, 5) a computerized navigation system is required to plot the course of the vessel accurately during disposal operations, and 6) new reporting forms have been developed to aid in reporting permit monitoring information. All other general and special conditions are similar to existing conditions in MPRSA § 102 special permits OD 90-01 and OD 90-02.

INITIATION OF HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Within 30 days of the date of this notice, any person may request a public hearing to consider the issuance of, or the conditions to be imposed upon, these permits. Any such request for a public hearing must: 1) be in writing, 2) identify the person requesting the hearing, 3) state any objections to the issuance of, or to the conditions to be imposed upon, these permits, and 4) state the issues which are proposed to be considered at the hearing. Under 40 C.F.R. § 222.4, the Regional Administrator's determination on whether to hold a public hearing shall be based on whether the request presents genuine issues of policy or facts amenable to resolution by public hearing.

Comments on the tentative determination and requests for public hearings may be submitted in writing within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: Ms Janet Y. Hashimoto, Chief, Marine Protection Section (W-7-1), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IV, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901, telephone (415) 744-1156.

The Administrative Record, which includes the applications, the draft permits, the fact sheet describing the permits and changes from special permits OD 90-01 and OD 90-02, is available for public review Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the: EPA Region IX Library, 13th Floor, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA, (415) 744-1510; EPA Pacific Island Contact Office, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 5124, Honolulu, HI, (808) 541-2710; and American Samoa EPA, Executive Office Building, Office of the Governor, Pago Pago, American Samoa, (684) 633-2304.

Gunman kills three and wounds two

WINDSOR, N.C. (AP) — A man who said he was a former cop with nothing to lose herded six people to the back of a grocery store, stacked them by twos and began shooting and stabbing. Three people were killed and two badly hurt.

The one person who wasn't hurt in Sunday's attack at the Be-Lo grocery store was on the bottom of a stack, said Bertie County Sheriff Wallace Perry.

"He was lucky." Perry said Monday. "He felt the trauma when the man on top of him was shot."

Police said the motive was robbery, although investigators declined to say what was taken. They were searching for a 20 - to 30-year-old man.

The attacker, armed with a .45-caliber pistol, told his captives "he had nothing to lose, he was a former police officer, he had been fired," Perry said.

An all-points bulletin prompted calls from police departments around the nation with information about recent firings, and Perry said former local officers had been ruled out as suspects.

Police also were pursuing other leads, including a report that a small white car with Maryland plates was seen speeding north on U.S. 17 shortly after the attack.

Windsor, a northeast North Carolina town of 2,400, is the center of commerce for a surrounding farm community.

According to police, the J.W. Russell said.

gunman entered the store after it closed at 6 p.m., forced the six to the rear and made one tie up the others with duct tape and dog leashes taken from the shelves.

After the shootings, he placed the six people back on the floor face-down in a puddle of blood, Perry said.

Jasper Hardy Jr., of Edenton, who wasn't hurt, told the man he couldn't identify him. Perry said the gunman replied: "'I'm going to let you live, big man.'"

Killed were cashier Joyce Coburn Reason, 36, of Windsor; manager Grover Lee Cecil Jr., 47, of Ayden; and cleaningcrew member Johnnie Rankins Jr., 48, of Edenton. Ms. Reason and Cecil were shot once in the head and Rankins was shot in

Cleaning-crew workers Thomas E. Hardy, 48, of Edenton and Sylvester Welch Jr., 40, of Hertford, were hospitalized in critical condition.

Hardy's throat was slashed and a butcher knife was broken off in his back. Welch, who was shot in the back, managed to crawl to a store phone and call police.

As police searched for the killer, Perry said several people requested permits to carry concealed weapons.

"I wasn't too happy thinking about walking into an empty building today with the money box," restaurant owner I.W. Russell said.

Violence flares in Germany

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — Arsonists on Monday attacked two more houses where foreigners live, further testing German authorities' ability to control extreme rightist violence.

Critics, including the head of the country's Jewish community, have been demanding action. But the government says it can't find any masterminds for the troubles that have shaken mainstream Germans and tarnished the country's image abroad.

The latest attacks came in North Rhine-Westphalia, the same western state where arson killed five Turks in the town of Solingen 10 days ago.

Police said arsonists set fire to two baby carriages in the corridor of a house in Soest. Residents called firemen, who put out the fire before anyone was seriously hurt.

The house is inhabited by a Lebanese family with four children, a Syrian, a Pakistani and an ethnic Albanian from the Yugoslav province of Kosovo. The 30-year-old Syrian man

was treated for light smoke inhalation. In the town of Bergisch-Gladbach, a burning blanket was discovered on top of a rocking horse in a house where several Turkish families live. A man who lives in the house discovered the first-floor fire and put it out.

In developments related to the Solingen attack, the federal prosecutor's office said today that a membership card of the far-right party German People's Union was found in the apartment of one of the four suspects.

The man has been identified only as Markus G. Newspapers say he is a 23-year-old soldier who has been seen wearing neo-Nazi outfits and is believed to belong to a right-wing party.

But the prosecutor's statement said authorities had no evidence that the arson in Solingen had been organized by right-wing extremists.

Ignatz Bubis, chairman of the Jewish community in Germany, accused the government of treating the attack as an isolated incident.



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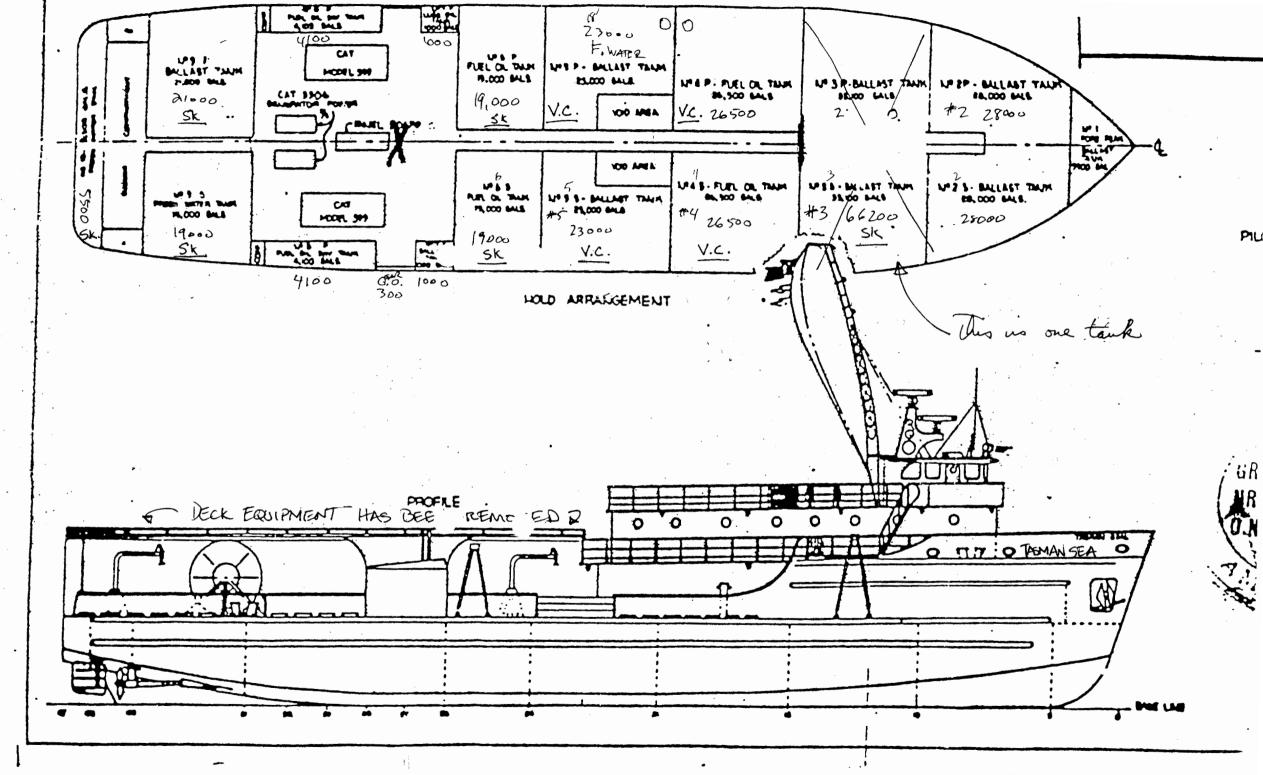
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SPECIFICATIONS OF GP-70

RECEIVER CHARACTERISTICS

1. Receiving System

C/A code. 5-satellite tracking on dual channels by using high-speed time-division multiplex

2. Receiving Frequency

L1 (1575.42 MHz)

3. Position Accuracy (HDOP≤3)*

15 m rms without SA (Selective Availability) 50 m rms with SA implemented

4. Velocity Accuracy (HDOP≤3)*

0.1 knots rms without SA, 0.3 knots rms with SA

5. Tracking Velocity

250 knots

*Accuracy depends on the current satellites' status. GPS accuracy subject to change (SA turned on or off) in accordance with the policy of the US Government.

PROCESSOR/DISPLAY CHARACTERISTICS

1. Display

100 (w) x 87 (H) mm, backlit, super twist LCD

2. Date/Time

Date, Hour, Minute, and Second in GMT or Local

3. Memory of Waypoints and Voyage Plan

Total 100 waypoints* can be registered.

- Waypoint Navigation: you can select any waypoint as a destination
- (2) Routing Navigation: you can register up to 10 routes each containing up to 10 waypoints

Range/bearing to the selected waypoint shown digitally.

*Waypoint no. 00: present position

4. Memory of Event Positions (Man overboard)

Total 20 points (L/L and date/time)

5. Alarms (audio-visual)

- (1) Cross-track error or Approach to border
- (2) Arrival or Anchor watch
- (3) Speed faster or slower than, or between preset value(s)
- (4) Distance-run over preset value

6. Data Update Rate Every second

- 7. Data Output 2 ports are provided for:
 - (1) NMEA 0183 (\$**AAM, \$**APA, \$**APB, \$**BOD, \$**BWC, \$**BWW, \$**GGA, \$**GLL, \$**RMB, \$**RMC, \$**VTG, \$**WCV, \$**WNC, \$**WPL, \$**XTE, \$**ZDA, \$**ZLZ, \$**ZTG, **: any talker selectable)
 - (2) NMEA 0180S (XTE)
 - (3) FURUNO CIF (Date/time, L/L, Speed/Course, Wpt L/L, Range/bearing to wpt, Altitude, Event, Route)

8. Geodetic System

WGS-84, WGS-72, Tokyo, North American 1927, European 1950, Australian Geodetic 1984

9. Environment

IEC 529 IPX6 (Deck-watertight)

POWER SUPPLY

- 10-40 VDC, less than 10 W
- 110/220 VAC, 50-60 Hz, w/optional rectifier PR-62

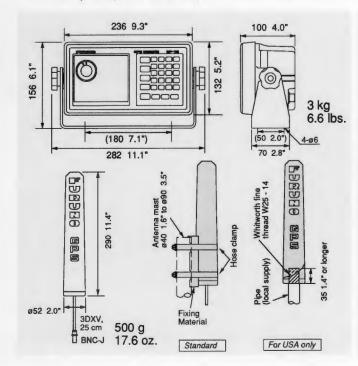
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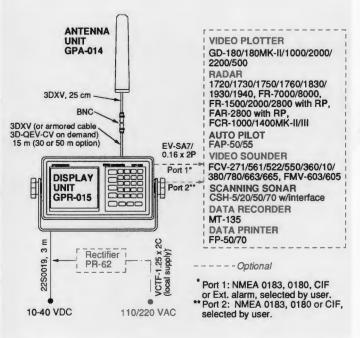
Standard

1. Display Unit GPR-015 1 unit 2. Antenna Unit GPA-014 w/15 m ant. cable 1 unit 3. Installation Materials and Standard Spare Parts 1 set

Option

- 1. Rectifier PR-62 for 110/220 VAC supply
- 2. Armored Type Ant Cable Set CP20-3 (30 m) or CP20-5 (50 m)
- 3. Flush Mount Kit





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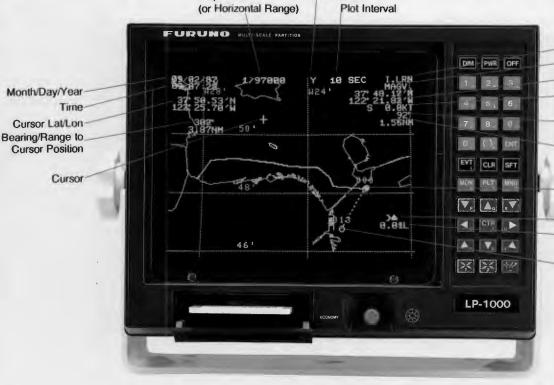
EXTERNAL MEMORIES

RAM Card for storing courseline and event marks (option) Battery life: 3 years





ROM Card for recall of factory digitized chart (option)



Selected Mark

Map Scale

Nav Selection
Magnetic Variation
Ship Lat/Lon (or TD)
Ship Speed
(or Velocity to destination)
Ship Heading
(or Bearing to destination)
Range to a next waypoint
or TTG (Time-To-Go)
Own Ship Position

Off-Course

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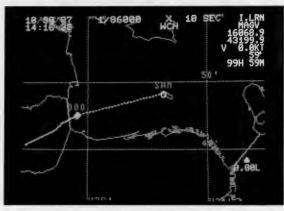
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- Accepts external nav. equipment to plot course, such as Satnav, GPS, or Decca
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- Built-in battery for 3 years' system back up
- Wide selection of external equipment for data input/output in Furuno CIF or NMEA 0183 format
- Fully splash protected

MONITORING WAYPOINT

Pressing [MON] key turns the screen to display position in L/L, Range/TTG to waypoint selected and other numeral data in large characters.



USER FRIENDLY OPERATION

Pressing [MENU] key provides easy selection of functions. You can page the desired function by pressing [◀] or [▶] key. All parameters are set on MENU function. Menu function also provides sophisticated nav. information.



Waypoint Selection



Plotter Function



Storage Function

SPECIFICATIONS OF LP-1000

RECEIVER CHARACTERISTICS

1. Receiving Frequency 100 kHz

2. Interference Rejection 5 automatic and 1 preset notch filters

3. Tracking Speed

80 knots maximum

PROCESSOR/DISPLAY CHARACTERISTICS

1. Picture Tube 7-inch flat-face yellow-green CRT

2. Alphanumeric Data

Ship's position in Lat/Lon, Map Scale, Bearing/range to a waypoint, ship's speed and course, Water temperature or depth (sensor required), L/L of cursor position, Range/Bearing to a cursor position, Event Marks, XTE, Year/Date/Time

3. Course Plotting

Map Scale: 1/2,000 to 1/5,000,000 in 1/1,000 steps or 0.15 - 385 n.m. in 0.08 n.m. steps of horizontal range (Scale chosen by operator)

provided with 2 pages of plotting picture in different map scales

Projection: Mercator Projection

Usable Ground: Between 85°N and 85°S Waypoints: 99 points max., identified by 3 alphanumerics

Plot Interval: The most used 5 intervals may be preset from Hold, 10, 15 ··· 50, 55 sec, 1, 2··· 58, 59 min or 0.01 n.m. to 9.99 n. m.in 0.01n.m. steps

4. Alarms Arrival or Anchor Watch, XTE, Border and Alarm Clock

5. Memory

Built-in RAM chip retaining courseline 1800 points and 1524 Event points. May be divided into 2, 3, or 6 blocks. Each block may be displayed superimposed on another. (Backed up for 3 years)

6. Data I/O in NMEA 0183 Sentence Input: Ship L/L (\$†† GLL), Course/Speed (\$††VTG), Water Temp. (\$**MTW), Water Depth (\$**DBT) Output: Ship L/L (\$†† GLL), Course/Speed (\$††VTG), Arrival Alarm (\$††AAM), Waypoint L/L (\$††WPL), R/B from os position to waypoint (\$††BOD), Waypoint No. (\$††BWC), XTE (\$††XTE), TD (\$LCGTD) TD is output when the built-in Loran receiver is selected.

POWER SUPPLY

- 11-40 VDC, 19 W approx. (12W approx. in economy mode)
- 110/220 VAC, 50-60 Hz, 20 VA approx. with optional rectifier PR-62

OPTIONAL IC CARDS

- RAM Card Duplicates the built-in RAM chip. 1800 points of course line and 1524 event points (May be divided into 2, 3, or 6 blocks). Battery life: 3 years
- 2. ROM Card Factory digitized charts

EQUIPMENT LIST

Standard

1. Display Unit w/Sun Visor

1 Unit

2. Antenna Coupler AC-100C w/15m ant. cable

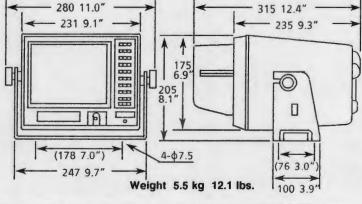
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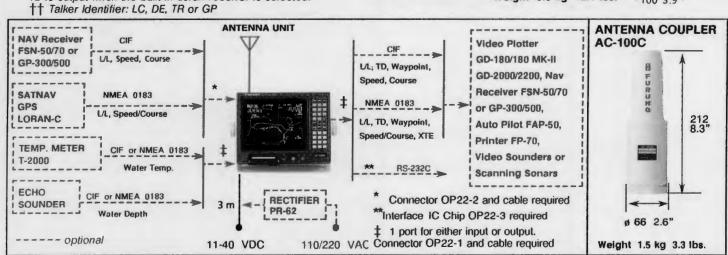
3. Installation Materials and Standard Spare Parts

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Optiona

- 1. Whip Antenna OP04-1 (4 m) or 04S4176 (2.6 m)
- 2. Rectifier PR-62 for 110/220 VAC supply
- 3. RAM Card OP22-5 (Battery life: 3 years)
- 4. ROM Card with Factory-digitized Charts
- 5. RS-232C interface IC Chip OP22-3
- Connectors for connection with external equipment (specify OP22-1 or OP22-2)
- 7. Extension Cables for connection with external nav. equipment CP22-006 (10m) or CP22-007 (20 m)





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John Wise Acting Regional Administrator Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, California 94105

Dear Mr. Wise:

Tel./FAX: (684) 633-7458 (2010)

25 May 1993

CC: 11-1

Enclosed please find a copy of the letters to the editor page of the Samoa News for 21 May 1993. I was just going to send you a copy of the letter printed there from the Board of Directors of Le Vaomatua, but I believe the message is stronger in tandem with the other anonymous letter from "Friend of the Bay" (who is not a Le Vaomatua member).

We were pleased to hear that USEPA Region 9 denied Governor Lutali's request for a waiver of permit requirements concerning the dumping of tuna wastes in Pago Pago Bay while the sludge boat "Astro" was unable to operate due to heavy seas. We commend your office for its diligence in this matter.

Yours truly

John Enright
President

encl.

Letters to the Editor

IT SETS A BAD EXAMPLE Dear Editor:

After reading your front page story about cannery shut down (Monday, May 17, 1993) one wonders about the extent of Governor A.P. Lutali's commitment to protect our environment.

The disturbing question emanating from the story is: Does the environment become expendable whenever the fostering of the financial interest of StarKist and Van Camps' shareholders become hindered by, of all things, bad weather and the subsequent inability of the Astro to perform its hellish mission upon our reefs?

This hypocritical approach to the environment - highlighted by Governor Lutali's appeal (Samoa News May 17, 1993) to the federal EPA to forego local EPA regulations and allow the canneries to dump their waste into the bay - not only sends the wrong message to the federal government about our concern (or lack of it) about our own environment, but more reprehensibly, it sets a bad example for our children to see and to follow.

Our environment belongs to all of us, and no single individual or special interest group has the right to destroy or ruin any part of it for all of us.

If we are serious about protecting our environment, then the ocean dumping of cannery waste must stop; and yes, the canneries have the sole responsibility of finding and funding an alternative way for [disposing] their waste. Let them spend some of their daily millions to do this.

FRIEND OF THE BAY

DENY ASG'S REQUEST Dear Editor:

Le Vaomatua has dedicated its local public awareness action this year to Pago Pago Bay in a campaign called Bay Watch '93. Late last month, members walked the bay from Utulei Beach Park to Onesosopo Park in an effort to assess the current "state of the bay."

Many of the walk participants had not spent much time on the shoreline of the bay in recent years, so all were pleasantly surprised by the clarity of the waters and the returning beauty of this matchless natural resource.

In informal discussion after the walk, most attributed this dramatic change for the better to the new cannery outfall and the EPA regulations which requires that both canneries transport their tuna waste to a designated ocean dumping site outside of Pago Pago bay.

Now, in Monday's paper, your front page article entitled, "Both canneries are shut down," indicates that ASG is requesting that

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the requirements of the canneries' permits be waived because the canneries' sludge boat cannot operate in heavy weather conditions.

Your article goes on to say that the U.S. EPA has banned ocean dumping of tuna wastes in the United States but makes an exception for American Samoa because of the canneries' importance to our economy.

While we have great sympathy for the cannery workers who are not paid during shutdowns, the board of Le Vaomatua urges the U.S. EPA to deny this request and any such future requests from ASG. If the daily operation of the sludge boat "Astro" plays such an integral part in the ability of the canneries to conduct their business, it behooves them to have a backup in place for just such contingencies. After all, that's just good business practice.

Sincerely,

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LE VAOMATUA